



**Town of Plaistow, NH
Energy Committee
Community Power Subcommittee
145 Main Street, Plaistow, NH 03865**

**ENERGY COMMITTEE MINUTES
COMMUNITY POWER SUBCOMMITTEE
June 28, 2023**

Call to Order: 5:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Tim Moore, *Chair*
Peter Bealo, *Vice Chair*
Gerry Marchand
Walter Proctor, *excused*
Jon Gifford, *Selectmen's Ex-Officio*,

Also present: Liz Kosta, *Community Power Subcommittee Candidate*; Ryan Polson and Theresa MacDowell, *Standard Power (Community Power)*; and Dee Voss, *Planning Department Administrative Assistant*

Agenda Item 3: Community Power – Ryan Polson, Standard Power

Ryan Polson and Theresa MacDowell, from Standard Power, were present for the discussion.

R. Polson explained that they had updated the Community Power Survey based on comments back from the Community Power Subcommittee (CPS) members.

P. Bealo noted that he had suggested the elimination of questions 7, 9 and 10, which are related to demographics of the respondents. He offered that these questions have no bearing on the purpose of the survey, and he wouldn't answer them, nor would he recommend answering them to anyone who asked. P. Bealo suggested that answers to these questions would benefit Standard Power more than Plaistow.

T. MacDowell offered that the reason for the demographic questions was to make sure that they were getting a good representation of the diverse population in the responses and that the responses are not all from one group of residents. It can make a difference in how the collected data is analyzed considering the diversity, or lack thereof, in the respondents. She also noted that the online version in Survey Monkey notes that these questions are not required, nor are they required with the paper version.

T. MacDowell also noted that one of the comments was to have questions for as a matrix, which is difficult on the paper survey, but is how it appears on the online version.

Agenda Item 4: Rooftop Solar RFP

The Board had been provided with a copy of a Request for Proposal (RFP) document that was used for the rooftop solar array on the Salt Shed at the Public Works Facility on Main Street. There were some minor updates that had been provided and incorporated into the document. There was consensus of the EComm to make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen to have the RFP posted.

Agenda Item 5: Old Business
a. Solar Ordinance Review

The EComm was provided with a copy of the current Solar Collection Systems ordinance (Article XVA) and asked to forward any comments on same to D. Voss. The comments will be added to an ordinance draft that will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 6: New Business

There was no new business discussed at this meeting.

Agenda Item 2: Review and Approval of Minutes

★ P. Bealo moved, second by G. Marchand, to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2023, meeting. There was no discussion on the motion. The vote was 5-0-0 U/A.

Agenda Item 7: Correspondence, Other Business

There were no additional matters before the Committee and the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dee Voss
Administrative Assistant