



## CLAREMONT ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday March 18, 2019 6:00 PM  
Visitor Center, 14 North Street, Claremont, NH

### MINUTES Approved 4/15/2019

#### I. Roll Call

**Present:** Derek Ferland, Scott Pope, Rebecca MacKenzie, David Lucier

**Staff:** Nancy Merrill, Scott Osgood

#### II. Approve minutes of previous meeting –

**Motion:** To approve minutes of February 26, 2019 with changes

Page 2: “amending”

Page 1 & 3 “MacKenzie”

**Made by:** David Lucier

**Second:** Scott Pope

**Vote:** Unanimous

#### III. Discussion – Renewable Energy Tax Credit Ordinance

The Committee discussed if there was implementation or outreach that they could do to help inform property owners.

#### IV. Projects

##### A. Energy Education and Outreach

- **NH Saves Button-Up**

The Committee will schedule NH Saves Button Up in September. They discussed having two follow up classes to show residents how to winterize their properties. Scott Pope will see if the Tech Center carpenter shop might be available and if the teacher would have an interest. There was also interest in seeing if there might be donations for these workshops from some of the retailers.

Dave Lucier also suggested adding LED to the NH Saves workshop and perhaps seeing if there was IR testing available for home owners.

Rebecca MacKenzie also suggested seeing if CCTV might be interested in covering the “how to” workshops.

We will also check with Vital Communities to see if they would like to participate through their Weatherize program.

- **Articles**

The Committee discussed different article ideas, including one about the committee itself and the Energy Chapter of the Master Plan. A recurring NH Saves program article as well as What is Solar Power Anyway and How can I use it to Save Money on my Electric Bill? were mentioned as topics as well as:

- Solar Energy Storage using Residential Batteries
- Electric Vehicles are in your (near) Future
- How to Weatherize your Home
- Claremont Community Solar - bringing solar energy savings to many
- Energy Savings Tips

The Committee will provide education information for workshops, schools, as well as written articles.

The Committee would like to have Bylaws, which would include process, articles, approvals, and transparency. The grounding will be the Master Plan Energy Chapter.

## **B. Model Renewable Ordinance**

Scott Osgood has identified an article with details and will put together a draft that the committee can start to review. It will include solar as well as other renewables.

## **V. Renewable Energy & Efficiency – City Properties**

David Lucier updated the committee on his communications regarding a municipal group solar project. There is a lot of discussion going on regarding community solar for municipalities, whether it be micro municipal systems or Power Purchase Agreement.

## **Other Business**

The committee discussed how to respond when things come up between meetings. They would like a process in place for special meetings in their new bylaws. Legislation regarding municipal aggregation recently came up in Concord. Scott Osgood will try and funnel energy legislation to the committee through his work with NHPA.

## **Future Agenda – Project Updates**

Education Outreach  
Bylaws  
Legislative Update  
Council Requests  
Model Ordinance

**VI. Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting

**Made by:** Scott Pope **Second:** David Lucier

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Nancy Merrill*