



TOWN OF  
**NEWMARKET**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Energy and Environment Advisory Committee

Wednesday January 11, 2023 at 7pm

Town Hall, Auditorium

### Meeting Minutes

Present: Ellen Read, Sarah Stinson, Ruth Kane, Bill Raley, Emily Jones, Joe Lamattina, Sean Moran, Patrick Reynolds,

Excused: Julianna Tyson

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM.

Public Forum Opened at 7:02 PM, No members of the public spoke.

Public Forum closed at 7:02 PM.

Meeting minutes from October 26, 2022 were approved.

Motion to accept by Joe Lamattina. Second Emily Jones.

Vote 8-0.

Ellen discussed the status of the Master Energy Plan (MEP), this is the chapter for the Newmarket Master Plan related to Energy. It was agreed the group would review the document created to date as well as Rye's version that was supplied by Ellen. The group will work on the MEP at our next meeting scheduled for January 25.

The group agreed to review the End Of Year Committee Report, if no issues Joe will submit to Wendy before January 17<sup>th</sup>.

The group talked about the Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan (EAP). The group agreed to submit the current plan to the Community Power Technical Review Team with some minor changes, specifically aspiring to increase the level of renewable sources by eleven percent (11%) annually along with required Community Power Coalition (CPC) mandatory Redline Changes.

Motion to approve as amended Emily, Second Sarah. All voted in favor.

It was agreed, once the technical review is done, Joe will schedule a time with The Town Council for the group to walkthrough the document prior to any public hearings.

Joe stated the Town Council earlier approved the Energy and Environment Committee to act as the Newmarket Electric Aggregation Committee as required by Community Power rules. The Newmarket

Electric Aggregation Committee has officially been registered with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission and we have submitted a request to the electric utilities for updated information related to electricity usage by Newmarket residents and businesses. This information will be required to understand how much energy the town would need should we implement Community Power.

There was discussion about the new logo for The Newmarket Community Power entity. An updated version was submitted to The Community Power Coalition (CPC) that looked similar to the towns logo.

There was continued discussion about the difference between the Master Energy Plan (MEP) and the Resolution Energy Plan (REP). The MEP is a more high level plan of where we would like Newmarket to be 10 years from now. The Resolution energy plan (REP) is a more detailed plan on how to get to 100% renewable energy by 2030 and 2050 as stated in the recently approved Town Council resolution.

There was discussion that in April we have Earth Day and that the Energy and Environment Committee should take the lead and sponsor something. Pat Reynolds discussed the idea of getting more information out to people related to recycling, we don't do a good job related to recycling. Emily discussed the idea of an art project that compares one pile of plastics and next to it another pile that shows the amount that actually gets recycled. The group agreed to continue this discussion.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:06 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday January 25 – Town Hall – 7PM