Energy and Environment Advisory Committee

July 7, 2020 7:00 pm

Proposed Agenda

Call to order

Announce rules for public notice of online meeting participation.

Public Comment

Approval of minutes

Approval of past meeting minutes from 6/2/2020. See attached Draft copy.

Committee members to read & forward any suggested changes or corrections prior to meeting if possible

Proposed Action Items

- 1. **Clean Energy NH** vote to recommend to Town Council that Newmarket join CENH as a dues paying municipal member (\$250 for municipal dues)
 - a. https://www.cleanenergynh.org/membership
 - b. If approved, leverage membership to begin goal setting for various energy related initiatives including participation in the emerging **Community Power Program**
- 2. **Community Power Program** review FAQs & Guidelines from CENH Community Power Summit (see attached)
 - a. **Step 1** Vote on a recommendation to Town Council to form an **Electric Aggregation Committee** (EAC) and to determine if the existing Energy & Environment Committee will serve as the EAC.
 - b. Step 2 Request aggregate/community wide data from Utility (Eversource)
 - c. **Step 3** EAC Drafts Electric Aggregation Plan with public input through public hearings.
 - d. **Step 4** complete <u>CPNH Prospective Member Intake Form</u> if Newmarket is interested in participating, complete this survey.
 - e. Assign next steps to Community Power EAC formation by next meeting
- 3. **Solarize Newmarket proposal from 603 Solar** decide and vote on recommendation to move forward with this at the town level or not.
 - a. This year and 2021 are last chance for taxpayers to take advantage of solar PV deductions.
 - b. Goal is to increase the number of Solar PV installations in Newmarket by a certain (to be determined) percentage
- 4. **Committee member applications** review and approve any new requests to join as committee members.

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Updates and Discussion

- 1. **EE Committee representation** continued search for additional members
 - a. Determine correct application process and post openings link on FB page
 - b. Update Wendy Chase & Town Clerk's Office on who holds current EE positions so that website is refreshed.
- 2. EE Committee presence on Newmarket website
 - a. What documents should be available for public consumption on website?
 - i. Link to Committee member application form
 - ii. List of current members and their terms
 - iii. How the Newmarket Composting program works
 - iv. Map of current weed control spray activity
 - v. Other?
- 3. EE presence on Facebook page
 - a. Weekly posting commitment by committee members on topics of interest
- 4. Weed Control Wrap up of business pertaining to weed control project
 - a. Annual weed control contract documentation and usage statistics
 - i. Swamp Inc. is current vendor for weed control in Newmarket
 - ii. Obtain historical data for understanding baseline usage and scope of treatment.
 - b. Make updates to weed control map and consider hosting of Newmarket Weed Control Treatment Areas map on SRPC GIS platform in light of the addition of new linear feet curbside areas
 - c. Ongoing review of possible weed control alternatives and their associated costs
 - d. Recommendations to town council for annual review of contract renewal and proposed next steps

Other Business and/or Announcements

Adjourn/Meeting Close