

**Town of Wolfeboro
Energy Committee
Meeting Minutes
9:00 Thursday, August 18, 2022
Wolfeboro Public Library**

Attendees: Rick Kourian, Nancy Hirshberg, Eli Roxby, Rick Skarinka, Warren Wilson, Dick Byrd, Brian Deshaies & Mike Kolodoner

Introduction: Welcome of new member Mike Kolodoner

Motions:

- Rick S. motions to approve meeting minutes from last meeting; 2nd by Warren W.
 - Approved unanimously.
- Rick S. motions to approve \$250 for Clean Energy NH; 2nd by Dick B.
 - Approved unanimously.
- Rick S. motions to approve \$850 to JC Sign for existing signage, stickers and new ordinance signage; 2nd by Rick C.
 - Approved unanimously.
- Mike K. motions to approve establishment of revolving fund warrant article; 2nd by Rick S.
 - Approved unanimously.
- Rick C. motions to adjourn; 2nd by Rick S.
 - Approved unanimously.

General Discussion

- IRA (Inflation Reduction Act)
- Warrant Article to setup revolving account
- EV Charger Update
 - Information: 30 charges this month
- Public Safety Building
 - Eli & Rick to review and revert to committee
- Energy Tracking
 - File needs to be completed
 - Feedback from KC (Town Finance) does not agree to maintain file. → Nancy & Jim to review and revert with Jim.
- Reviewed Master Plan Energy Chapter to reconfirm priorities; details as follows:
 - See below “Strategic Planning” section
- Meeting Schedule for next call.

Strategic Planning

We read through the Master Plan goals and discussed our work plan and priorities for the upcoming year.

1. Renewables and Grid (Master Plan goals 3 and 4) Mike Kolodner and Warren Wilson will work on this.
 - a. Continue to develop municipal solar opportunities
 - b. Research opportunities to incorporate renewables into the MED power purchasing
 - c. Identify barriers and opportunities to develop the MEDs capabilities for the electric needs we expect over the next decade. What kind of changes are necessary to facilitate more electric usage (such as EVs) and solar generation?
2. Municipal Energy Use (Master Plan goal 1)
 - a. Distribute the municipal energy tracking and work with the Town Manager on a process for providing support for staff to achieve the energy reduction goals. Nancy Hirshberg, Eli Roxby and Warren Wilson will work on this.
 - b. Make sure energy goals are integrated into the Public Safety renovations/ construction project. Rick Kourian, Eli Roxby, and Brian Deshaies will work on this.
3. Transportation (Master Plan goal 6) Rick Skarinka will work on this.
 - a. Study opportunities and identify initiatives to advance including:
 - i. Municipal transportation energy reduction (including fuel monitoring on vehicles)
 - ii. GWRSD buses
 - iii. Bikeways with the State work on Rt 28
4. Education (Master Plan goal 7) No committee members assigned to this yet.
 - a. Do community education around the opportunities for families with the IRA. Could be articles in the paper, a mailer included with electric bills, a workshop for the community
 - b. Devote efforts toward communicating to the community about the work of the committee to raise awareness of the issues and opportunities. Create a visual dashboard.

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes taken by Warren Wilson.