

LEBANON ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, the meeting was held virtually via MS Teams

May 27, 2021

3:00 PM

FINAL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clifton Below (Chair, Council Representative), Greg Ames (Vice-Chair), Jon Chaffee, Gene Homicki (alternate), Meghan Butts, Woody Rothe, Joan Monroe (Planning Board Representative), Devin Wilkie (Alternate Council Representative)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Everett Hammond

GUESTS PRESENT: Samuel Golding, Community Choice Partners, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Clifton Below at 3:07 PM. Clifton appointed Gene to serve in the role of the missing Lebanon High School student.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Jon moved to accept the 4/15/2021 minutes; Meghan seconded. Approved unanimously by roll call vote, with one abstention (member was not present at the last meeting).

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: EV Subcommittee – Meghan discussed Lebanon’s enrollment in the “EV Toolkit” program. She and Rebecca attended in introductory meeting. The City will participate in two programs (zoning/site plan regulations and public charging infrastructure), but we will have access to the materials of all other sessions. Greg mentioned that the Electrify America fast chargers will be installed near Walmart. Clifton mentioned that Lebanon will be participating in the Upper Valley E-Bike lending library, likely in July.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Power Coalition of NH Updates: CPCNH is moving forward – the Nashua Aldermen voted unanimously to join the program, as did the Exeter Select Board. Also Harrisville. HB315 was amended in the Senate to include 5MW for school districts and municipalities, House vote is pending end of next week). The update to the limited electrical producer statute, RSA 362-A to enable a market for 1 MW to 5MW distributed energy generators or storage (limited producers) was removed from SB91 (Part IV), and a study committee would be created instead.

Lebanon Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan: Clifton gave a walkthrough of the draft Lebanon Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan. Samuel gave a slide presentation on the Plan, which was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion of NH's 10-Year State Energy Strategy Update deferred to next month. Summer LEAC meetings will continue to be third Thursday at 4pm. In-person meetings may begin in July, pending expiration of the NH Covid-19 State of Emergency declaration.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Clifton reports that the landfill gas-to-energy project is continuing. There may be a presentation regarding anaerobic digesters at the June or July meeting. Phase 2 of the LED streetlight conversion planned for this summer.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None.

NEXT MEETING:

Scheduled for Thursday, June 17th at 4pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Meghan to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 PM. The motion was seconded by Greg. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Gregory Ames