## **Energy Committee Minutes**: 12/8/21

Present: Marty Bender, Jere Buckley, David Hemenway

Chairman Bender opened the meeting at 6:45 pm.

Marty started discussion on the presentation for Community Power that had been given at the last meeting, and if the Energy Committee was in favor of it or not. All showed support of continuing and joining the project after a short discussion. It was clarified that joining does not cost the town any money, nor tie the town to further action. Further in the process a public hearing and town meeting warrant article would be required to enact and begin an electric aggregation plan when/if appropriate.

The required process to follow was then discussed. Marty will follow up with Henry Herndon and Town Administrator Dana Hadley to see if the existing Select Board motion to have the Energy Committee take charge of community/aggregate power covers the Energy Committee signing the JPA (Joint Powers Agreement) to join CPCNH, or if this will require further action by the Select Board.

Motion: Marty Bender seconded by Jere Buckley to join CPCNH (Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire).

Passed unanimously.

As part of this action, the town would be required to appoint a Director and Alternate to the CPCNH Board of Directors for the purposes of oversight. After discussion, Jere declined a nomination by Marty, Marty Bender and David Hemenway agreed they would accept being appointed in this capacity.

Meeting was closed by Jere, seconded by Marty, with all in favor.

Minutes respectfully submitted by David Hemenway.