

# CITY OF CONCORD MEETING NOTICE

CONCORD Energy and Environment Committee

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

7:00 PM

City Hall

## Minutes

**In Attendance:** Rob Werner, Jennifer Galbraith, Deb Russ, Mark Scura, Barbara Pacelli, Randy Bryan, Liz-Anne Platt, Rich Maher Zach Jonas, Charles Willing

- Rob calls the meeting to order
- Welcoming new members and volunteers:

Rob welcomes the new folks to the meeting, and gives a brief history of the committee's work (founding charter, city's Carbon challenge, "pay as you throw", energy chapter of the master plan, work on solar projects").

Rob also discusses our new goal of 100% renewable energy for the city by 2050.

- General discussion:

Rob mentions that we still need to get a baseline on energy use from the city.

Chuck mentions that the city council is working on a solar tax exemption policy, similar to other communities.

Zach agrees to divide up a list of other towns and stakeholders who we can call to get more information about solar tax exemptions in other cities. Other members of the committee will call this list to collect information.

Randy mentions that he is interested in working on something related to electric vehicles and will get back to the group with more details.

Zach mentions that other communities, including Hanover, NH, are already committed or soon to commit to the 100% renewable goal. The committee agrees to reach out to those towns to discuss best practices and how it has been working for them.

- Garvin's falls:

Rob and Randy report back on their meeting with the city. The city believes it is locked into energy contracts, so cannot likely be involved in the bidding process for the dam. The committee agrees to further discuss the possibility of purchasing electricity for the city from this source in the future.

Adjournment at 9 PM

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