

## CONCORD Energy and Environment Committee

Monday, July 2, 2018

7:00 PM

City Hall

### Minutes

In Attendance: Charles Willing, Joe Kwasnik, Evan Mullholland, Rich Maher, Dave Brown, Deb Bruss, Jennifer Galbraith, Kelsey Sullivan, Brian Buckley, Dot Currier, Randy Bryan, Cathy Kilday, Zach Jonas, Rob Werner, and Ally Samuel (via phone)

7:00 p.m.: Rob calls the meeting to order. Introductions made.

#### 1. Discussion of Concord 100% renewable resolution status:

An updated version of the Resolution has been submitted to the City Council in advance of the Council's July 9 meeting. The Concord Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors voted in favor of the new version, and a letter of support is expected.

Discussion ensued regarding outreach to draw Concord residents to the City Council meeting and to become involved in the strategic planning process. Media will be contacted.

It was noted that the Conservation Committee has not posted notice of a special meeting prior to July 9.

Upcoming events:

- July 9, 7:00 p.m. – City Council meeting and expected vote on the Resolution.

#### 2. Solar Ordinance

Chuck outlined the work of the solar zoning sub-group. A conceptual outline of the proposed ordinance is expected to be completed by mid-July. It will then be submitted to the City's Legal Department and then the Planning Board for the September agenda. The next meeting of the solar sub-group is July 10 at 8:30 a.m. at Chuck's office. A rough draft was circulated to the CEEC.

#### 3. Solar projects on City Property

The Mayor's ad hoc committee on solar projects met today. The landfill was analyzed by city staff and may be able to support 16 acres of PV panels, with about 3-4 MW capacity. The next ad hoc meeting is

set for July 30 at noon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room. Discussion ensued regarding how to support this process and other locations for solar to be installed in the City.

#### 4. New Business

Randy Bryan informed the CEEC of the status of the VW settlement money and suggested that the City (and the two school districts) should seek funding for electrification of existing diesel busses and city work trucks. CEEC members in attendance were generally in support of helping to facilitate this. Discussion ensued regarding the placement of EV charging infrastructure in the City, including in existing parking garages. Several NH towns and cities already provide EV charging at municipal lots, including Portsmouth, Derry, Durham and Dover.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm