

Concord Energy and Environment Advisory Committee
Wednesday, November 15, 2023
6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
MINUTES

Attendees: Councilor Byron Champlin, Councilor Stacey Brown, Carl Cooley, Dot Currier, Allen Desbiens, Gerald Eaton, Jonathan Weinberg, Chuck Willing, Frances Lesser (student representative), Beth Fenstermacher (Director of Projects and Strategic Initiatives)

Absent: Rob Werner, Nick Babladelis, Jeffrey Evans, Jennifer Galbraith

I. Welcome and Introductions

The Councilor Champlin, sitting as Chairperson, opened the meeting at 6:05 PM.

II. Community Power Presentation

Chuck Willing led an extended question and answer session discussing the progress and schedule for presenting a Community Power Plan to the City Council. The second community information session proved to have more detailed questions than the general presentation at the first. Chuck presented a time line of tasks and events which will need to take place along with components of recommendations the CEEAC must consider before making final recommendations to the City Council. Chuck also outlined further public outreach efforts to be made before a possible launch later in 2024. There was a discussion of putting community power information materials in utility bills, real estate tax bills, and/or city water bills.

III. Policy and Project updates

Solar RFP for the City Landfill – Beth Fenstermacher reported that the final lease documents are still being negotiated with Kearsarge Solar.

Beth Fenstermacher reported that the City is moving forward with sustainability fellow for the 2024 summer period. The successful college or graduate student would work on community engagement and outreach.

Beth announced the date for the Button Up Workshop on November 29, 2023 at the City Library, 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

Upon MOTION by Allen Desbiens, seconded by Councilor Brown it was unanimously VOTED to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2023 committee meeting

Upon MOTION by Allen Desbiens, seconded by Jerry Eaton, it was unanimously VOTED to adjourn at 6:55 PM.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 13 at 6:00PM.