

# GRANTHAM ENERGY COMMITTEE



## MINUTES

Monday, November 6, 2017-5PM  
Grantham Town Building  
Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room  
300 Route 10 South

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The regular meeting of the Grantham Energy Committee was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2017 by co-chair Chenevert.

Members Present: Jenna Chenevert, Michael Salo, Peggy Martineau, Kristina Burgard, Paula Bresnick and Don Fitzpatrick

Guests Present: Susan Goodwin

**Approval of October Minutes:** Bresnick moved to approve the October minutes and Salo seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

**Correspondence:** none

### **Old Business:**

**Budget:** Chenevert informed the Committee that she had affirmed the amount of \$1000 to be placed in the Town budget request for next year with Melissa White, Town Administrator.

**Committee member status:** Burgard reminded the Committee she would not be re-enlisting as a volunteer member of the Energy Committee this spring. Fitzpatrick also stated he would be resigning as well. The procedure for resigning is to notify Melissa White 1 month prior to the end of the term in writing.

**Presentations:** Chenevert summarized the whole house wall battery presentation she attended in Cornish. Kim Quirk of Energy Emporium presented the slide show. The impressive program sponsored by the State of VT to foster the use of these batteries was mentioned.

Chenevert also attended the LES conference in Concord. LES stands for Local Energy Solutions. The topic was EV chargers. Various funding measures were spoken about. The cost versus net profit was also discussed. The State of NH has up to \$5000 in grant money for the installation of the chargers. The program in the Town of Durham was mentioned as a template for the GEC to follow. The possible location for a charger was also discussed.

Another topic was the change in net metering rules. It is no longer a one to one ratio. Every kwh provided to the grid will generate 0.035 cents off retail price, resulting in the excess now being in dollar terms and not kilowatt hours.

Town Solar: The Committee was told that the Selectman are still interested in a Solar Project for the Town. Their next meeting is December 13<sup>th</sup>. Melissa White would need any information by December 7<sup>th</sup> to put the Solar Project on the Select Board agenda. The Committee decided to use their next meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup> to finalize the presentation to the Board.

### **New Business:**

Battery Storage Options: See above

Net metering rule changes: See above

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the GEC is on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at Grantham Town Hall.

Adjournment: Martineau made a move to adjourn. Bresnick seconded it at 6:11 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.