BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF PEMBROKE, NH May 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Present: Selectman Sandy Goulet, Selectman Richard Bean, Selectman Peter Gagyi, Selectman Rick Frederickson

Excused: Selectman Karen Yeaton

I. Call to Order:

Vice-Chairman Goulet called the meeting to order at 5:24pm.

II. Scheduled Meetings

Energy Committee

Richard Wengenroth, Pentti Aalto, and Matt Miller, Pembroke Energy Committee, discussed the Community Power Plan. The Selectman expressed concerns on the opt out vs opt in enrollment method. Richard Wengenroth explained the Town voted at Town Meeting to approve the opt-out mechanism of enrollment. Selectman Goulet and Selectman Gagyi expressly want the process to be opt-in. Selectman Frederickson considers residents doing nothing once being notified of the change as opting in. Richard explained residents have the ability to opt in and out as often as they want.

Selectman Goulet clarified the Town has to be on the power plan for 12 months and then give CPCNH 36 months' notice if they wish to terminate it. Matt Miller answered that is correct because they are trying to create a long-term outlook to build a portfolio in order to have the most accurate pricing and be able to negotiate the best rates. If towns could break that quickly, then they would have made energy commitments for years down the road they are stuck with. Even though the town can't break the contract, every entity in town could leave it.

The vote was tabled until a full board is available.

III. Adjourn

Selectman Goulet made a motion to adjourn at 5:53 PM. Selectman Frederickson seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Sandy Goulet, Vice Chairman

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