



# TOWN OF PEMBROKE

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## **Pembroke Energy Committee March 28th, 2022 7:00 PM**

1. Call to order & attendance
2. Review and acceptance of March 3rd, 2022 minutes
3. Action Item Status
4. Learnings from Town Meeting
5. Community Power Workshop Preparation
6. Any other business
7. Adjournment

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting started at 19:07.

Attendees in person: JJ Smith, Pentti Aalto, Richard Wengenroth, Matt Miller

Virtual Attendees: Jackie Wengenroth

Visitor: Tim Miller (wants to join the committee)

Not present: Karen Yeaton

Meeting Start: 1907

March 3 minutes--correct the spelling of Sally's last name (Hyland instead of Aalto). Minutes accepted with the change to Sally's last name.

### Action Items status

1. Short discussion of how we can create an information page for Pembroke Energy Committee and Pembroke Community Power. Linda maintains the town website. We can create a simple mock-up of the website and bring her some attachments and see what happens.

Basic attachments to the community power page include the following

- Community Power Presentation
- Community Power Brochure
- Electric Aggregation Plan draft
- The CPCNH Joint Powers Agreement
- Link to CPCNH.org

1. The Monthly summary report was not completed and submitted to Karen. Matt will do this.
2. PEC needs to start soliciting input from Pembroke businesses.
  1. Associated Grocers of NE
  2. Route 106 business

Introductions from PEC members for Tim.

Learnings from town meeting. Discussion about experience and learnings from Pembroke Community Power outreach at the school meeting and annual town meeting.

1. We had a booth and handed out numerous brochures at the school. People politely took them, a few people engaged in some conversation about community power, including 1 person with residential solar.
2. We had a booth and handed out brochures at the town meeting and made a brief statement at the end of the meeting.
  1. Tim, the librarian wants to host some evening energy programs at the library. These would be part of his adult education/awareness program. They are approximately

1-hour sessions, tend to get 10 or so participants. We need to bring Tim a list of topics with short description of each topic.

2. Short brainstorm for some ideas for library seminar topics for Tim
  1. What affects the price of gasoline, natural gas
  2. Legislation affecting net metering
  3. Other legislation that is impacting energy (invite Clean Energy NH)
  4. Community Power basics
  5. Heat pump use optimization
  6. What has changed with respect to energy, and why do we need to change
  7. Considerations for residential solar
  8. Lifecycle analysis of various heating fuels (wood, methane, propane, diesel, rubbish, switchgrass, etc)
3. It is very difficult to increase visibility and awareness within the community.

#### Community Power Workshop preparation

1. Advertise on Pembroke Taxpayers and Pembroke Speaks websites.
2. Advertise on the Safety Center and School roadside signs.
3. Tim will share the April 6 workshop on Facebook
4. Plan is to review the Pembroke Energy Ambitions and Energy Goals draft in the EAP. Then review some energy offerings as well as Pembroke's energy consumption data from 2021 from Eversource.

Other ideas to help increase awareness and learn Pembroke's thoughts regarding community power related topics.

1. Richard suggested a survey to learn Pembroke's energy interests.
  1. ACTION ITEM: ask Karen for help to provide a survey link to the Pembroke Speaks and Pembroke Taxpayers subscribers.
2. Bow asked to get information from the Pembroke Energy Committee. What can we do to help Bow?

#### Action Item Summary

1. Richard to design energy survey draft
2. Richard to ask Karen for help to provide survey link to Pembroke Facebook subscribers
3. Matt to draft monthly energy committee summary
4. Matt to host April 6, 2022 Pembroke Community Power workshop at the public library

Meeting Adjourned at 20:10.