

Draft of Meeting Minutes  
Waterville Valley Renewable Energy Committee  
Monday, April 20th 2020 - 4PM  
Location: Remote

**Minutes**

1. Meeting called to order 4:05
2. Attendance Linda Coleman, Anders Holm, Irit Levy, John Recine, Peter Adams, Rob Darnell, Joe Colangelo, Kimberly Rawson, Mark Decouteau, Terry Roper
3. Last months meeting's [minutes](#) - Approved
4. Ongoing business - Linda Coleman charging station update
  - Multiple vendor proposals - meetings are set up and open to any member of the community
  - Keeping costs low
5. Privilege of the Floor
  - 5.1. Irit Levy - Are Landfills scheduled to close? Mark Decouteau - Closing of landfills is suspended because of Covid-19
  - 5.2. Terry Roper - Has Plymouth area renewables been following NH community power? Peter Adams - PAREI has had discussion regarding the management of community power.
6. New business
  - 6.1. Community Power New Hampshire (CPNH) website - [www.communitypowernh.org](http://www.communitypowernh.org)
  - 6.2. Discussion:
  - 6.3. Terry Roper - Does the current WV energy contract negotiate for off-peak on peak demands?
  - 6.4. Peter Adams - Revision Energy wants space to produce power - investigate what they can offer - solar panel contracts tend to be for 20 years - companies like Revision will maintain the panels
    - Currently coop keeps 4 cents of any kW produced
  - 6.5. Mark Decouteau - Discussed challenges for a solar - Private land is not available for use
    - For town to participate a succinct budget will be needed
  - 6.6. Terry Roper - How many acres would it take for the town to be self-sufficient? - The NH Coop can provide that information

- 6.7. Irit Levy - Can the metal roof spaces at the ice arena and other metal roofs power town facilities?
  - Mark Decouteau - That will not produce enough power for whole town
- 6.8. Peter Adams - Large arrays are needed to power the whole town and that is not a good carbon trade off because large amounts of trees would need to be cut
- 6.9. Clean Energy NH website and [membership page](#) and [Municipal Member Flier](#)
- 6.10. Clean Energy NH - membership
- 6.11. Funding Sources: Community Development Finance Authority, -- <https://nhcdfa.org/who-we-are/cdfa-staff/>
- 6.12. Motion to continue discussions with Plymouth Area Renewables and Exploring NHCP passed
  - Town can pay the \$75 contribution to PAREI for municipalities solar assessment
7. Strategic Planning Short-Term Goals were updated to reflect the addition of transitioning municipalities to solar as a cost-savings measure
  - 7.1. Strategic Planning
    - **Short-Term Goals**
      - Energy Audit
      - Charging Stations
      - Investigate all funding opportunities
      - Transition Municipalities to solar
    - **Medium-Term Goals**
      - Solar Arrays - DPW Garage
      - Solar Arrays - Water Treatment Ponds
      - Northern Borders Grant - improve trails, pedestrian bike path
    - Long-Term Goals**
      - 100% of Renewable Electricity by year 2030
8. Adjournment 5:25pm
9. Next Meeting - May 18th 4pm

