## CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY POWER MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M. CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY ROOM

Selectboard Present: Jeremy Wood (Selectboard Chair), Daniel Senie, John Lambert, Phil Turner,

Absent Committee Member: Trish Patrick, Paul Nickerson and Brian Boardman

Staff Present: Patricia Chaffee – minute taker

## **Public Meeting Call to Order**

Mr. Senie commenced the meeting at 6:00 pm

Mr. Lambert made a motion to accept the minutes of June 13 and 27, 2023 as presented. Motioned was seconded by Mr. Turner, all in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Senie reported the new supply rates for the local power suppliers, NHEC 11.42 cents per kilowatt, Liberty 12.612 cents, Eversource 14.854 cents and CPCNH 10.9 cents. It was noted that CPCNH is a non-profit so their goal is to be less than the competition and has opportunity to compete on better turns than the major utilities. A representative from CPCNH will be attending the meeting on August 8, 2023.

Mr. Lambert commented on a list of questions for the guest. Mr. Senie asked that questions be sent to him to compile. Mr. Lambert addressed his questions about opting out and the time frames noted. It was noted that there is reserve funds to help cover opting out, but what is the financial exposure. Mr. Turner asked who represents the Town, what is the legal structure.

Mr. Lambert noted that he spoke with an energy broker and at this time he does not recommend CPCNH as this program is not regulated and there are possible loop holes. Mr. Lambert recommended having a broker as well as someone from Clean Energy NH come to speak to the committee. Mr. Turner asked about a flow chart and the steps in this process. Possibly one of the guests may have a working flow chart as a starting point. It was decided that Mr. Lambert would try to schedule these guests for the August 22 meeting.

There was a discussion regarding the meeting on July 25, and whether to have it. Mr. Senie asked again that questions be sent to him and then it would be decided if a meeting was necessary. It will be decided by July 19, if meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> will take place.

Mr. Turner motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. Mr. Lambert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, Patricia Chaffee

John Lambert

Trish Patrick

Daniel Senie

Phil Turner

Brian Boardman

Paul Nickerson

(Note: these are unapproved meeting minutes. Any corrections will be made at the next Selectboard meeting on July 25, 2023)