



**COMMUNITY
POWER COALITION
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

MEMBER OPERATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE – APPROVED MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Member Operations and Engagement Committee**
Meeting Location: **Dover City Hall, Council Conference, 288 Central Ave.,
Dover, NH 03824**
Meeting Date: **Tuesday, July 12, 2022**
Meeting Time: **Noticed for 10:00 AM on CPCNH.org and at Rye Town
Hall**

Attendees:

- Committee Chair Lisa Sweet, Rye Director
- Howard Kalet, Rye Alternate
- Nat Balch, Durham Alternate
- Christopher Parker, Dover Director
- Craig Putnam, Hudson Director
- Jo-Ellen Courtney, Enfield Alternate (virtual)
- Paul Looney, Walpole Director (virtual)

Absent:

- April Salas, Hanover Director
- Jackie Wengenroth, Pembroke Alternate
- Jamie Hess, New London Director

Guests:

- Henry Herndon, Consultant
- Dori Drachman, Peterborough Community Power Task Force
- Board Chair Clifton Below, Lebanon Director

1. Housekeeping

Committee Chair Lisa Sweet called the meeting to order at 10:03am. Mr. Herndon called the roll.

Director Christopher Parker moved approval of the minutes of the June 14 Member Operations and Engagement Committee Meeting. Director Craig Putnam seconded. Motioned was approved by unanimous consent without objection.

2. Updates

Action by the PUC on the Rules is delayed publication from July 5 to July 27. JLCAR is anticipated to entertain rules on August 18. The reason for postponement was a scheduling conflict.



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Our 20th Member – Peterborough Select Board voted unanimously to adopt the Joint Powers Agreement and join the Coalition on July 5

The Committee discussed that the July 21 Board meeting may be postponed or canceled to accommodate the time requirements to conduct the RFP proposal review process.

3. Community Engagement/Recruitment

Henry Herndon reported that, among other engagements, since the last Member Ops meeting CPCNH has presented to and engaged with the following regarding Membership: Londonderry Town Manager; Manchester Alderman; Milford Select Board; Newbury, Boscawen, Androscoggin Valley Energy Committees

4. Member Services

The committee discussed the ongoing review of RFP responses being conducted by the Risk Management Committee.

Alternate Jo-Ellen Courtney noted that Enfield intends to wait until after the PUC has published final rules to move forward with EAP re-approval from Select Board to ensure they need not bring materials back to the Select Board multiple times.

The Committee discussed the value of building a database documenting potential “Projects” that Members are interested in developing/implementing post launch including sites for development of generation and storage assets, time-of-use rates, and more. Hudson was approached about developing a solar project within the town, as has Rye and other Members.

5. Communication

The Committee agreed that the Q2 update should be published.

Director Paul Looney noted he had been contacted by a reporter and quoted in an article about Walpole Community Power, Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire, and the PUC rulemaking process. Director Looney suggested it would be valuable for CPCNH to have a media engagement policy and spokesperson to refer media inquiries to so as to ensure the right message is being delivered. The Committee agreed.

Dori Drachman commented it could be valuable to have events/meetings to allow for open-ended and free-flowing discussion with communities interested in becoming members.



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Henry Herndon responded that it is possible that the RFP process will result in service agreements that would add to CPCNH's capacity for conducting community engagement and Member onboarding, in addition to servicing needs of existing members throughout Electric Aggregation Plan approval processes and subsequent implementation and key policy adoptions.

The Committee agreed not to meet in August as the time would be well spent on RFP process and working on JPA amendment and EAP modification approvals.

Director Craig Putnam noted that, in anticipating the need to explain the EAP to the Select Board and public, it would be valuable to create a slidedeck companion to the EAP to assist in the explanation.

Henry Herndon noted that other communities including Rye, Lebanon and others had developed/adapted slide deck companions to their EAPs for public hearings, and that he would be available to work with Hudson to create a version suitable to Hudson's needs.

Director Craig Putnam moved adjournment. Alternate Howard Kalet seconded. Unanimously approved.

Next Meetings:

MOEC: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 (note: this is the week before usual schedule)