

## **Brentwood Energy & Efficiency Advisory Committee Minutes Meeting on November 27, 2023**

Members present: Anna Heard, Rick Labreque, Kris Magnusson, Tom Palma, Keith Paul, Bob Radlinski

Alternates present: Kristin Aldred

Standard Power representatives present: Theresa MacDowell, Devon Atwell

1. Meeting started at 6:29pm.
2. Kris made a motion to review the 10/30 meeting minutes at the next meeting. Bob seconded. Motion approved with no opposition.
3. How to contact solar customers with instructions to opt out of community power?
  - a. The initial letters should have information specific to solar customers.
    - i. The new supplier will send the letters.
  - b. The committee could ask the town of Brentwood for a list of residents that applied for solar permits.
4. Where in the plan should we address town resources that go to the program?
  - a. The committee will instruct Karen not to spend any additional hours working on community power issues/ resident concerns.
5. The PUC requires the town to have a dedicated page on the website for community power information.
6. Committee comments on electric aggregation plan-
  - a. Add an "as of date" for survey results.
  - b. Kristin suggested the language in the last paragraph on page 2 of 18 be more clear regarding survey results.
  - c. IV35-5- remove "Brentwood community power will launch with a default service rate that is lower than the utility default service rate."
7. Can we require that RECs are purchased by Brentwood energy producers?
  - a. Only for projects that have not been installed. We could potentially work with Rockingham County to purchase RECs from the new solar array.
8. Next steps-
  - a. The committee approves the plan.
  - b. The Selectboard votes on the plan.
  - c. If The Selectboard approves the plan, then it is submitted to the PUC.
  - d. The plan is voted on at town meeting in March.
9. The survey will close on December 2nd.
10. Tom made a motion to approve the plan, including changes and survey updates until December 2nd. Bob seconded. Motion passed with no opposition.
11. Bob made a motion to submit the plan to the Selectboard with our recommendation that the plan be approved by the Selectboard to go on the Town warrant and be submitted to the PUC. Anna seconded the motion. Motion passed with no opposition.
12. Committee comments on the draft warrant article-

- a. The committee chose option two.
  - b. Add "With the aim to reduce electric supply rates and to provide renewable energy supply options, if desired" to the second sentence in the first paragraph.
  - c. Add "While the Brentwood Default product cannot guarantee savings to customers in any given month, the product is intended to perform well and remain competitive compared to utility default service price."
  - d. Change to "supply portion of customers' electric bills."
  - e. Change default to "Brentwood Plus."
  - f. Change "they" to "customers" in the third paragraph.
13. Anna made a motion to approve the warrant article with discussed edits. Tom seconded. Anna, Rick, Bob, and Tom approved. Kris opposed. Keith abstained. Motion passed.
14. Meeting ended at 8:38pm.