

MINUTES
Rockingham Planning Commission
September 9, 2020

Remote Meeting via ZOOM Conference call
Per RSA 91-A:2, III(b) the RPC Chair declared the COVID-19 Outbreak
An Emergency and has waived the requirement
That a quorum be physically present at the meeting

Commissioners Present: A. Davis, Vice Chairman (Hampstead); T. Moore, J. Kiszka (Plaistow); B. Moreau, P. Britz, J. Tabor (Portsmouth); G. English (Exeter); P. Wilson (North Hampton); L. Cushman (Stratham); A. Carnaby, B. Kravitz (Hampton); G. Coppelman, P. Coffin (Kingston); M. McAndrew (New Castle); A. Brubaker (H. Falls)

Guests: K. Latchaw (Newington BOS); H. Herndon (Director-Local Energy Solutions/Clean Power NH)

Staff: T. Roach (Executive Director); D. Walker (Assistant Director); J. LaBranche (Sr. Planner); A. Pettengill (Business Manager)

1. Vice Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 7p.m.; Remote Meeting via Zoom Conference Call per RSA 91-A:2, III(b)

2. Minutes of June 10, 2020

*Coppelman moved to approve the Minutes of June 10, 2020 as presented; Brubaker seconded. Roll Call vote taken. 2 abstentions **SO VOTED***

3. Welcome to Virtual Plaistow – Tim Moore

Moore gave highlights about what the town of Plaistow has been working on, including impact fees, master plan updates, CIP updates, and regional water plan.

4. Community Power NH – Henry Herndon, Director, Local Energy Solutions- Clean Power NH (CPNH)

Roache explained that with the RPC's electricity aggregation efforts to reduce electricity costs for municipalities, there is also a possibility for 3rd party savings from those agreements to help residents as well. Roache introduced Henry Herndon. Herndon thanked the RPC for allowing him to discuss the options out there for towns in regards to community power. He reviewed a new law (RSA 53E) that enables local governments to procure electricity service for its residents and businesses just as the towns can do for themselves through a 3rd party provider and CPNH could provide that service for them. He reviewed the benefits of community power aggregation

and the process for implementation. He stated some of the benefits of being a member of CPNH which includes pooled procurement with a portfolio of contract options and the ability to be a partner with CPNH in a regulatory/legislative advocacy to help reform markets and remove regulatory barriers. Questions and answers period followed.

- 5. Seacoast Transportation Corridor Vulnerability Assessment – Julie LaBranche, Dave Walker & Christian Matthews – TABLED for a future meeting**
- 6. Public Comment- None**
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Pettengill, Recording Secretary
