Lyme Electric Aggregation Committee Minutes, Approved November 9, 2023

Present: James Graham, David Perlman, Hebe Quinton, Jim Nourse

- 1. James called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- 2. Committee unanimously approved minutes of October 26, 2023.
- 3. Discussion of David Kahn's edits to the EAP
 - a. Committee accepted several of the edits. Committee agreed not to change the language that pertains to CPCNH's agreements with their subcontractors.
 - b. We will do further research into two questions raised by David:
 - i. Question on Financial Responsibility [RSA 53:e5]. For future costs associated with the program, will the Town need to adjust staff or consultant time to ensure that non-participants in the program are not paying taxes to its support. James will ask Henry how other member communities have dealt with this.
 - ii. Question on data breach section: does the town have liability if there is a data breach within CPCNH's subcontractor?
 - c. James will make the approved edits and forward the EAP to CPCNH for technical review. He will ask Henry how long this process might take.
- 4. Discussion of Public Hearings, currently set for Thursday, 11/16 and Tuesday, 12/7.
 - a. We will defer the first public hearing until the December 7 date, and hope that by then the Select Board will have approved the EAP. We will hold the second public hearing in January.
 - b. Reviewed James' PPT
 - i. Added context slide re: Warrant Article 22 (from 2020 Town meeting) & steps to achieve that goal
 - ii. Suggested fewer slides, saving ample time for FAQs
 - iii. Publicity for the public hearings should include a link to the EAP, with directions to send reader questions to a committee member
 - iv. Suggestion was to have slides for each FAQ ready, if asked
 - v. James will try to get on the Select Board agenda for November 30 in hopes that the EAP has cleared technical review..

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The mission of the LEAC is to investigate Community Power Aggregation (CPA) for the Town of Lyme, present to the Select Board an Energy Aggregation Plan for subsequent approval at Town Meeting by citizen's vote, and, as needed, assist the Town in its implementation.