

## Approved minutes

June 11, 2018 Lyme Energy Committee meeting

Present: Mark, Kevin, Scott, Matt, Jim, with guest Jeff Valence

- 1) Mark called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.
- 2) Lyme School Principal Jeff Valence provided an update on the school roof replacement, which will require removal of the existing PV system. We spent the next ~40 minutes discussing various options for once the new roof is in place. These include: re-install the existing 13 kW system, re-install the existing 13 kW system and augment it with 20 additional kW of new solar (any system larger than 33 kW will forfeit the school's current net metering status), or replace the existing system with an all-new 33 kW system. We discussed the pros and cons of each option.
- 3) After Principal Valence left the meeting at ~8:10 PM, the Committee continued to discuss the issue for another ~15 minutes, including determination and assignment of next steps. These included: trying to get a definitive answer from the New Hampshire PUC as to whether an all-new 33 kW system would qualify for a rebate; taking a closer look at the economics of these various options through financial modeling; starting discussions with potential financing sources as needed (if the economics otherwise seem compelling).
- 4) In the final ~15 minutes, the Committee approved the minutes from our May 14 meeting, and once again briefly revisited the energy chapter of the town's master plan, discussion of which has been supplanted from our May and June meetings by the more-pressing issue of the Lyme School PV system. We hope to brainstorm some ideas for the master plan at our next meeting in July.
- 5) The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2018 at 7:30 PM.