

Kensington Community Power Committee Minutes
Kensington Town Hall
Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 2:30 pm

1. Call to Order and Attendance: The meeting of the Kensington Community Power Committee (KCPC) was called to order at 2:37 pm by Chair Zeke Schmois.

In attendance: Zeke Schmois, Chair, KCPC members Charlie Horn and Bart Wu (via Zoom due to travel), Robert Gustafson, Select Board representative, and Joni Praded, member Kensington Energy Committee (KEC).

2. Approval of January 9, 2024 Minutes: Minutes from January 9, 2024 were approved.

3. Discuss Deliberative Session: The Deliberative Session was held on February 7, 2024. Z.Schmois made an excellent presentation at this public meeting describing Community Power and the Warrant Article put forward by this Committee. The response was positive and the Community Power Warrant Article was approved and will appear on the ballot for the Town Election on March 12, 2024.

4. Next Steps:

- **Communication Plan:** J.Praded presented a postcard on Community Power that she and KEC member, Susan Varn, created to be sent out in a bulk mailing. There was discussion about the optimal timing for the mailing. There was consensus that the postcard should be sent out so it arrives a week before the March 12 Town Election. J.Praded will work with the mailing house to meet this timeframe. The Town will be invoiced directly and the cost will be between \$450 and \$530 to mail. A link to the postcard will be added to the Town website and to Facebook's Kensington Connects.
- **Community Outreach:** Attendees were asked to send out via email, a PDF of the postcard with a personalized message, to their Kensington connections. J.Praded will e-mail a PDF version after the meeting.
B.Wu pointed out that the Community Power postcard provided by the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH) should not be handed out until a formal Board of Selectman decision to select CPCNH is made after the Town Election. J.Praded will collect any such postcards that were left at several sites in Kensington.
- **Educational Loom Presentations:** The first Loom presentation in this educational series, on air and ground source heat pumps, is ready to be distributed. Z.Schmois will post an introduction to the educational presentations and post on the Town website and Facebook.
- **Cost Sharing Agreement:** Z.Schmois will attend the next Board of Selectmen meeting to present an overview of the Cost Sharing Agreement (CSA) to make sure the Board starts to read and understand the CSA.

5. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

The next meeting of the KCPC will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 2:30 pm at Kensington Town Hall.

Submitted by Charlie Horn