

**Town of Chester
Solar Working Group Meeting
Tuesday, November 28, 2023
Municipal Complex
Draft Minutes**

I. Preliminaries

Call the Meeting to Order
Roll Call
Public Comment (10 minutes)
Next Steps
Adjournment

1.1 Call to Order

Mr. Broadwater called the meeting of the Solar Working Group to order at 7:00pm.

1.2 Roll Call

Members Present:

Ted Broadwater
Ginette Duchaine
Chris Harper
Brent Richardson (arrived 7:08pm)
Michelle Rowden
Saul Shriber
Rick Sibley
Maria Veale

Members Absent:

Steve Couture, Select Board Liaison
Patrick Connelly

Members of the Public Present at various times:

None

II. New Business

The group has received three proposals from ReVision Energy, Kearsarge Energy, and ECA Solar. Mr. Harper suggested scanning the documents and then discussing what criteria the group is looking for.

The group broke into groups to browse the packets received from three companies. ReVision Energy, Kearsarge Energy, and ECA Solar.

The group discussed the wetland setbacks. Mr. Rowden feels an environmentally friendly proposal be brought forward to the town. Mr. Harper mentioned a pollinator garden and an wildlife friendly fences are being suggested near the site by ECA Solar. Mr. Shriber agrees that an environmentally friendly approach is best for the project. It was a concern for residents at Town Meeting.

The group began with the ReVision proposal. Revision only sent in a proposal for the properties on Dump Road.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14th, 2023.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Rowden seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis A. Jalbert
Recording Secretary