



Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Academy Hall

July 8 2026

Matt Tilley, Chair	Absent	Lorna Carlisle, Vice Chair	Present
Robert Irving	Present	Joe Schmidl	Present
Kevin O'Neill, Alternate	Absent	Vacant Alternate	Vacant
Selectman Ex-Officio, David Hostetler	Present	Recording Secretary, Sam Wasil	Present

Janet Long attended the meeting in person. No one attended via Zoom.

Vice Chair Carlisle opened the Energy Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Draft Minutes:

Joe Schmidl **motioned** to accept the June 10th, 2026 draft minutes as written.

Vice Chair Carlisle **seconded** the motion passing unopposed.

Energy Audits:

Energy audits were conducted on June 11th. The committee had not received the final report. All town buildings were done. Joe Schmidl noted the audit was only one of two available audits and he is in talks with the auditor to get the second audit scheduled, hopefully for August.

A few issues the committee noted were the furnace at Town Hall and the lights at the library. Both could be updated to help reduce energy used. MA Wasil noted the library lights were updated to LEDs in the past week.

Other Business:

Vice Chair Carlisle will be keeping in touch with Sarah Brock from Clean Energy NH, in hopes of learning more about the heat pump accelerator programs Brock has previously discussed.

Carlisle had Revision take a look at the Safety Complex Building and Highway Building Property to see if either was compatible for solar. The Revision representative believes both would be good candidates and will putting the committee in touch with a municipal representative. Revision's representative also felt that three phase power would not be needed for a solar array at the Highway Property.

Carlisle asked Selectman Hostetler how the committee would go about recommending a Capital Reserve Fund for energy projects. Hostetler was unsure and Joe Schmidl noted the Capital Improvements Program goes through the Planning Board. Carlisle noted Brock had mentioned that having money set aside for projects already, would give the Town a leg up in receive grants for projects.

Hostetler asked about T-Mobile Hometown grants and how they worked. Carlisle replied that Matt Tilley had mentioned the grant at the last meeting and he would be the one to ask.

Schmidl asked if there had been any progress on the Highway Garage. Hostetler noted he had not heard anything and the topic was to be discussed at the upcoming Selectboard meeting.

The committee discussed projected money returns on solar power. Hostetler noted his own array had a less than ten year return on investment. Janet Long noted she also receives money back when she does not use as much electricity as she produces. Schmidl noted the laws on net metering had since changed and the Town's service provider, Unitil would have a better understanding on what the Town could receive.

Janet Long expressed her interest in being an Alternate.

Joe Schmidl **motioned** to recommend Janet Long as Alternate Energy Committee member to the Selectboard.

Bob Irving **seconded** the recommendation which passed unopposed.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 12th, 2026 @ 6 p.m. upstairs in Academy Hall

Adjournment:

Joe Schmidl **motioned** that they adjourn the meeting.

Bob Irving **seconded** the motion and the Board adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Samantha Wasil, Recording Secretary

These minutes were approved at the
August 12, 2026 EC meeting.