Meeting of the Norwich Energy Committee Tuesday, 9/1/20, 7 pm, via Zoom

Attending: Linda Gray, Susan Hardy, Aaron Lamperti, Suzanne Leiter, Norm Levy, Charlie Lindner Guests: Linda Cook, Pam Smith

Linda Gray gave the statement of Act 92 compliance.

Because of technical difficulties with the committee's 8/25 meeting, the agenda for this special meeting is to ensure that the public has an opportunity to offer their insight on any of the 8/25 agenda items.

Public comments were:

- Pam Smith suggested that the Zoom problem was due to having the same Meeting ID for the committee's July and August meetings. Linda Gray noted that those meetings were set as "recurring" Zoom meetings, and she would research whether the ID #s are meant to be the same. [See below for post-meeting info.]
- Pam Smith expressed concern about topics brought up under "Other business," saying that a committee cannot discuss just anything. She suggested that it's a violation of the Open Meeting Law. Linda Gray said she would review the VLTC guidance on this topic.
- Linda Cook asked about having a meeting contact person if someone has trouble accessing the meeting; Linda said they planned to list such a contact with each meeting agenda.
- Linda Cook said that for the 8/25 discussion about the Town fleet, she wanted to ask why the Energy Committee had not weighed in at the Selectboard meeting earlier in the summer on the DPW proposal to buy 3 new fossil fuel vehicles. There was discussion and general agreement about the need for more/better coordination, so that it would be standard practice by staff departments and the Selectboard to seek input from relevant committees (ex: Energy Committee, Finance Committee) before finalizing decisions.

There being no further public comments, the meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:30.

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- You can start your meeting at any time after you scheduled it.
- Non-recurring meeting ID will expire 30 days after the meeting is scheduled or started. You can also re-start the same meeting ID within the 30 days.
- Recurring meeting ID will expire 365 days after the meeting is started on the first occurrence. You can re-use the meeting ID for future occurrences.