

# Rye Energy Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Town Hall

### 1. Attendance

- Howard Kalet, Tom Pfau, Lisa Sweet

### 2. January Meeting Minutes Approval

- Approved with amendment

### 3. PSB Lighting Upgrade Update

- The upgrade is almost finished. There are a couple of punchlist items to be completed (motion sensor is too sensitive, one light to be switched off).
- Upgrade is expected to save about 20% over previous costs.
- Need to review life expectancy for PSB HVAC equipment

### 4. TD Bank Town Hall Annex Update

- Howard and Tom to attend pre-bid conference on 2/3/2022

### 5. Community Power/CPCNH Update

5.1. Status on Warrant Article/PUC - The PUC, after a long delay, has finally taken up rule making for community power. There were three plans in the queue ahead of the approved plan that Rye submitted on 1/7/2022. Those three plans have since been denied by the PUC with similar reasons given and the option to resubmit once rule making is completed. It is understandable that the PUC would want to complete rule making before issuing approvals to plans. Because the rule making has just commenced and will take a couple of months to complete, we anticipate that the PUC will also deny Rye's submitted plan. Because our plan was written in

adherence to the initial set of rules that the PUC has decided to take up, we feel that the plan as written should need only minor changes once rule making is completed.

5.2. Plan for Deliberative Session 2/5/2022 - Howard will present a very short slide deck and we will have prepared informational handouts on Community Power. Slide deck and informational handouts were reviewed. An implementation timeline has been prepared to set expectations that implementation will be at least a year out. Also, the Frequently Asked Question on the current rates will be edited to reflect the increase and to explain how community power programs can help to smooth out big fluctuations.

5.3. Logo - did not discuss

6. Review of Energy presentation - did not discuss

7. New Business - did not discuss

8. Adjourn at 4:41 pm

Next meeting March 1, 2022