

Monkton Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2022

Attending: Mark Boltz-Robinson, John Dunham, Dave Bristol, Chris Boekman

Absent: Harry Atkinson

Guest: None

Discussion of previous discussion with J. Dunham and the Town Administrator, S. Wilbur. Write up a one page summary of EV charging station information and just submit it to the select board. Agreed the most cost-effective measure is to get the charging station, stick it on a pole and meter it to see how usage actually goes.

Wiring needs to be pulled through the conduit

CPF-50 ChargePoint charger has some billing options; maybe Town of Monkton

Determine best charger

Solar Array

J. Dunham noted multi-location would be complicated, and just be two sites to be simpler.

Discussion of 2023 incentives to benefit non-tax entities such as municipalities and non-profits.

Committee discussed iSun (formerly SunCommon); Bristol Electric, SunRun, Green Mountain Solar; it was noted its a chicken-egg problem for wanting to review the options but having to put it out to competitive bid.

Who could provide GMP account access / login info? Who can help to get it set up so all town meters are under one primary account?

Committee agreement about a town hall solar won't support the building's own energy needs; backup heat sources not considered because modern buildings are designed and built to get away with not destroying things if power is out for up to 4-5 days.

School is the best orientation, but it is owned by MAUSD.

Battery Backup

Table for now. Treat as separate projects, but should be factored into the solar array design

Building Efficiency

Town apparently has the blower door test and other information. Naylor and Breen said tested with front door, so that gap got missed. Should be a commissioning report in the town files.

Maybe town clerk could help locate?

Adjourned 7:55