

Meeting Minutes – COOP Facilities Committee

June 4th, 2025

Attendees: Gina Bergskaug, Kelly Seeley, Mike Leavitt, Tom Enright, Mike Davey, Ben Gordesky, Tom Solon, Lance Finamore

Meeting Start

- Discussion of Bond procedures and what got passed
- Solar Plans
- Eversource with interconnect agreements
 - o Net-metering
 - Producing more, pass on to entire district
- Federal legislation passed by House
 - o See attached handout by EEI
- Solar Installation options
 - o Battery option
 - Net-metering
 - \$200,000 from DOE
 - o Sign off on Bond
 - o Is design flexible enough
 - Can you start 5%, will Eversource penalize us.
 - o Interconnectivity Agreement
 - We're in Queue currently
 - 4-8 months for net-metering
 - 2-4 weeks for battery
 - Each school is separate agreement
 - Two total, 1 for HBHS, 1 for HBMS
 - o Bond ramifications
 - Can't separate warrant articles
 - Packaged as one bond
 - o Bond rates
 - 3.59% was discussed when warrants introduced
 - o Budget allotted
 - 2.2 million

- Excess battery use
 - Can we neutralize summer usage
 - Battery system offset peak demand
- Can you do both ideas at the same time for Eversource
 - 5% construction commencement
 - Separate building
- Are we on the front end of battery installations
- Discussion about altering Solar Warrant subject matter
 - Net-metering to battery

Action Items for next time

- EEI will get more information for COOP School Board Meeting on 6/11
- Meeting/Call with EEI/Eversource
 - Discuss interconnectivity flexibility

Adjournment

Notes: July 9th – next meeting

Tax Provision	Energy	Proposed Changes
Section 48E	Solar; Energy Storage; Thermal Storage	Discontinuation of credit for projects that commence construction after 60 days of enactment. Projects must also be placed into service by December 31, 2028 in order to receive the credit. Bottom line: Only projects that can swiftly commence construction or have already done so will be eligible for credits.
Section 48	Geothermal	Phase-down starting in 2030 based on commence construction; Sunset in 2032. Construction begins in 2022-2029: 6% base, 30% full value Construction begins in 2030: 5.2% base, 26% full value Construction begins in 2031: 4.4% base, 22% full value Construction begins in 2032: 0% of credit Preservation of Energy Communities and Domestic Content Bonus Credits. 5x bonus for meeting Prevailing Wage & Apprenticeship intact.
		No issue with "Foreign Entities of Concern". Bottom line: Still up to 50% credit for projects commencing construction before Dec 31, 2029.
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