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Greetings fellow humans. My name is Tom Beyer. I am a resident of Randolph, Maine. I am here for one reason this afternoon. Before I get into it, I would like to take one minute of silence in honor of the lives that have been taken from this earth due to violent colonialism.

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Thank you. I stand before you, demanding that we help bring an end to the on-going killing of our brothers and sisters around the planet. The yogic life guideline “Ahimsa”- captures this concept. It means non-harming. As does one of the 10 commandments “You shall not murder”. We know over 400 people in Palestine have been murdered since the “ceasefire” began, many of them children. So, no, there is no peace as Donald Trump loves to claim. One way to end this is by divesting our energy from corporations that profit from killing humans and protecting the culprits. I want to live in a community where my energy is recirculated here. Where capital is reinvested in OUR community so that it can thrive, rather than outsourced to humans consumed by greed, fear, and unprocessed emotions that drive them to sociopathic actions.

End the killing, is that such an unfathomable demand?

Thank you.