

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Public Works Department, 4 Turkey Hill Road, Newtown
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Called to order at 7:02PM

*THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY
COMMISSION*

Present: Kathy Quinn, Mike Oristaglio, Damian Bednarz, George Brown, Carol Walsh

Absent: Allen Adriani, Robert Bohn, David Stout, Nicolas Lombardo

Also Present: Director of Public Works Fred Hurley, and two members of the press

Communications – Smart power is doing another virtual presentation on 2/22/24 at 6:30pm.

Public Comments – None

Acceptance of Minutes – M. Oristaglio moved to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2023 meeting. G. Brown Seconded, all in favor.

M. Oristaglio moved to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2024 meeting. G. Brown seconded, all in favor.

Earth Day Participation – K. Quinn reported that they are reaching out to different vendors for earth day such as EV, energy conservation, solar heat pump, geo thermal, etc. They will have the Chevy Volt electric vehicle the Town has with some statics such as millage, maintenance costs.

EV Charging Station – The Senior Center/Community Center is the next location they are looking at.

Portfolio Manager – No update

Status of solar projects – *Buy All Program* - New applications have been put in.

Off site 1MW VNM – No update

Batchelder remediation plan – No update

School Updates: RFP for facilities study is out.

Community Center HVAC – No update

Town Building Strategic Plan Committee – This group is being reappointed by the First Selectman.

SEC Slide program – No update

Social Media – No update

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED

POCD update – The company putting this together should have a final product shortly.

Changes to recycling/composting efforts – The BOS reappointed the recycling committee. The First Selectman moved it to the LC ordinance committee to review if this should be a permanent Board. They will look at curbside recycling and how to implement a new program moving forward for trash reduction.

Lighting at FFH – K. Quinn met with the vendor that did the original lighting at FFH. They are going to put together some information and pricing and pass it on to FFH authorities.

Co-operation with other agencies – No update

Next meeting is March 21, 2024

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Miles, Clerk