

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

Sustainable Energy Commission held a regular meeting Thursday, September 20, 2018 in shared meeting room 3 of the Municipal Center located at 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT 06470

**Present:** Kathy Quinn, George Brown, Allen Adriani, Mark Sievel, David Stout

**Absent:** Tom Snyad, Vanessa Villamil, Jeff Jorgenson, Graham Clifford

**Also Present:** Fred Hurley, Lori Scala with Apex Solar

**Communications – None**

**Public Comments** – Lori Scala with Apex Solar explained that she has been working for the last 1 ½ years on the idea of solarizing homes. As of July she is the preferred solar vendor with Ravis real Estate. Her job is business development in CT and she would like to come into town and begin a solarize program. There would be discounts to employees. She provided samples of marketing pieces (att.). F. Hurley explained that they are not endorsing the program, but giving the information provided to the public. Ultimately it is up to the Selectman.

**Minutes** – A. Adriani moved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 7/19/18. M. Brown seconded, motion unanimously approved.

**BUSINESS**

**New Project – Sandy Hook School Solar/fire houses:** No update

**Nunnawauk Meadows-solar:** No update

**ZREC for Community Center:** This is a medium ZREC and the submittal date is October 9.

**Possible ZREC for Stratford Hall:** This is a small ZREC that can also be filed.

**Energy Savings program:**

*Riverside Road Senior Center* – The lighting upgrades are moving along.

*Library* – They are working on boiler ....

*Edmond Town Hall* – K. Quinn is not making progress. D. Stout said he would reach out to a member of the ETH Board of Managers in hopes they will allow an energy audit.

*New Construction Projects - Community Center* – EV charge sites have been selected.

*Police Department* – A. Adriani reported that once the project is kicked off, he will meet with the architects. He has also met with Bob Mitchel, Public Building and Site Commission Chair. .

**General plan for schools:** No update

**Dashboard for web site (API keys):** – No update

**Sustainable CT:** K. Quinn explained that they had issues qualifying for programs. It was very labor intensive and frustrating. They are going to take some time and at the next meeting discuss if they want to apply next year.

**Develop plan to reduce electric demand charge on town buildings:** No update

**Solomon Solar project/Windham:** F. Hurley reported that PURA gave them a favorable ruling for VNM. The rate depends on what time frame is used that they are going to issue the credit on. It is under review.

**Batchelder site potential for solar/community solar project:** The engineering for remediation piece is completed with grant applications for this fall.

**Fuel Cell project and/or CHP (combined heat and power) discussion –** The RFP's are due on Tuesday.

#### **ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED**

**Municipal Energy Plan:** No update

**Energy Star Portfolio Manager:** No update

**Website:** No update -

**Organic Recycling:** No update

**Fracking Waste Ban:** – Ryan Knapp is working to get this through the committee. The issue that came up is that CCM gave a guidance that indicated that they did not want to support the fracking bans. According to CCM the towns and cities have brought the infrastructure and roadwork to a halt. F. Hurley explained that there is no road programs or infrastructure delayed because of a fracking ban. There are 50 towns that have the ban.

**Plastic Bag Reduction resolution sent to Ordinance Committee –** no update

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:53

Respectfully Submitted,  
Arlene Miles, Clerk



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