

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Public Works Department, 4 Turkey Hill Road, Newtown
Thursday, June 16, 2022
Called to order at 7:00PM

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

Present: Kathy Quinn, Allen Adriani, Mike Oristaglio, David Stout, Derek Pisani, George Brown

Absent: Dana Myjak, Robert Bohn, Carol Walsh

Also Present: Director of Public Works Fred Hurley

Communications – None

Public Comments - None

Acceptance of Minutes – D. Pisani moved to approve the minutes of the 4/21/22 meeting.
K. Quinn seconded, all in favor.

D. Pisani moved to approve the minutes of the 5/18/22 meeting. K. Quinn seconded, all in favor.

BUSINESS

10K Grant decision – No update

Presentation by Allen Adriani on possible hydrogen applications – A. Adriani explained the different types of hydrogen, ways it is made and what it can be used for.

Sub-Committees:

EV Charging Stations – D. Pisani is vetting the vendors for the program application for various town sites.

Energy Storage – F. Hurley reported that there is another resiliency grant available. Where solar charges storage batteries to help flatten the demand curve. He talked with EDC, there is more land adjacent to the Waste Water Treatment Plant that they aren't going to use so it leaves the potential for more solar panels. Police stations and wastewater plants are the targeted facilities for the resiliency program.

Portfolio Manager – No update

Outreach to promote energy improvement measures to the Commercial Sector and review of Design Guidelines for Public Building and Site Committee – The flier is at the municipal building and K. Quinn wants to get it out to commercial operations that can take advantage of the programs available.

VNM solar project – New project waiting state approval– F. Hurley reported that tomorrow Eversource will be announcing awardees for various program applications

Solar Canopy at Police Department – They will put in another app in February. The current one did not go through because the usage wasn't high enough. Once all the equipment from old PD is moved to the new, it will qualify.

Other Solar Opportunities – No update

School Updates: The Middle Gate parking lot lights are complete and there is a purchase order issued to Trane for the NHS rooftop units on A-wing.

Town Building Strategic Plan Committee update – No update

Municipal Energy Plan – No update

Social Media – No update

Summer meeting Schedule – D. Pisani moved to cancel the July 21, 2022 meeting. M. Oristaglio seconded, all in favor.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED

Changes to recycling/composting efforts – No update

Next meeting is August 18, 2022

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Miles, Clerk