

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Public Works Department, 4 Turkey Hill Road, Newtown
Thursday, March 16, 2023
Called to order at 7:00PM

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

Present: Kathy Quinn, Allen Adriani, Derek Pisani, Damian Bednarz, Mike Oristaglio, Robert Bohn, David Stout

Absent: Carol Walsh

Also Present: Director of Public Works Fred Hurley

Welcome new member, Damian Bednarz – Damain Bednarz introduced himself. He wanted to get involved in the community and works in renewal energy.

Communications – None

Public Comments – None

Acceptance of Minutes – D. Stout moved to approve the minutes of the 1/19/23 and 2/16/23 minutes. D. Pisani seconded, all in favor.

Update to Smart Power residential storage program – No update

Board of Selectman update, April 3 – SEC is scheduled to do an update to the Board of Selectman. C. Walsh and K. Quinn are working on the presentation.

10K Grant decision – No update

Sub-Committees –

EV Charging stations – F. Hurley reported that they are getting closer at ETH. In the next two weeks, as they get the parking lot project ready to go, they are going to be settling on a location for a power source. They are looking at 3 double heads.

Energy Storage – No update

Portfolio Manager – No update

Results of RFP for solar projects, Buy All Program, PD Canopy, Head O'Meadow, Municipal Center, Wastewater Treatment Plant – Applications are in and we should know by June.

Other Solar Opportunities, Batchelder Site, Hawley School, High School Auditorium - No update

School Updates:

Hawley – A. Adriani reported that the project is going well. They are going to stop working for a few months because the switch gear isn't due to arrive until May and then they will pick back up.

RFP for Energy Management and Conservation Services – The BOE put out an RFP for the services.

Town Building Strategic Plan Committee – F. Hurley reported that the data base is being transferred to the Town. There is also town staff meeting monthly to be part of this project which includes digitizing all of their records. What is going to cost a money is indexing software. They have been promised funding from the town.

Municipal Energy Plan – No update

Social Media – No update

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED

Changes to recycling/composting efforts – No update

Lighting at FFH – No update

Next meeting is April 20, 2023

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Miles, Clerk