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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION

Meeting, October 22, 2014 Library, Presidents Room Minutes

Members Present : Bruce Hampson , Chairman; Gil Bray, Richard Creeth, Patrice Gillespie, Glen Hemmerle, Rob Sanders .

Members Absent: Peter Wrampe, Vice Chair; Walter Kress, Hal Clark.

Guests Present: Bernie Pelletier - Smart Power; Jana Bertkau - Wilton Go-Green.

- 1. Chairman Hampson called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM
- 2. Richard Creeth moved and Gil Bray seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the August 27, 2014 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 3. Bernie Pelletier of Smart Power briefed the Commission on the details of the CEFIA Solarize Program.
 - This is an opportunity for Wilton Residents to install a Solar-Voltaic array at a reduced cost. To adopt Solarize would be consistent with the Mission of the Commission to lower Green House gas emissions as well as the commitment of the First Selectman and Board of Selectman to do the same plus lower the cost of electricity to Wilton residents.
 - To gain approval from CEFIA we will need a committed team of three (3) to manage and drive the program in Wilton.
- 4. Jana Bertkau gave the Commission the Wilton Go-Green (WGG) Report. As usual, WGG has a robust plan to 'Green' Wilton .
 - Wilton "Green Business" Plan to award businesses that adopt a range of sustainable practices.
 - The Annual Green Festival will be held on May 3, 2105.
 - Seventeen (17) percent of Wilton Households have had an HES survey
 - The next Green Speaker Series will be in January in the Wilton Library.
- 5. Richard Creeth reported on his progress with EPA Benchmarking Program.
 - Richard has agreed to keep this data base current with Wilton's Municipal & School energy data.
 - There is significant data that must be evaluated for accuracy, but it is apparent from the data that Richard was able to use, that it will be a very valuable tool to reduce energy usage in Town and School properties.
- 6. Bruce Hampson reported that Yankee Gas has almost completed the installation of the extended gas transmission line and will be pressurizing it significantly sooner than originally planned.

- The town & Yankee Gas are now discussing the possibility of extending the Gas Main to the Miller Driscoll school and the Teaching Sisters of Notre Dame.
- 7. Bruce Hampson reported that a Director of Facilities and Energy Management has been recruited and should begin in January 2015.
- 8. Next Meeting: To be determined. The normal schedule would be the day after Thanksgiving. Chairman Hampson will poll the Commission for an appropriate time.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM.