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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION
Meeting, Wednesday December 20, 2017
Comstock
7:00 pm
Minutes

Attending WEC members: Debra Thompson- van, Patrice Gillespie, Jim Jarvie, Peter Wrampe, Anna Marie Bilella

Absent WEC members: Gil Hollandar, Phil Murphy, Glenn Hemmerle, Kevin Gardiner

Other Attendees: No other attendees

1. Debra Thompson Van called the meeting to order at 7:0pm.
2. Approval of minutes of November 29, 2017 regular meeting – First Peter Wrampe, Second – Anna Marie Bilella, All in favor.
3. Chris Burney was absent so no Solar update was given. However, Debra Thompson-Van and Peter Wrampe informed the WEC attendees that they had attended the 12/18/17 BOS meeting and read the attached Thank You letter to the BOS to be put into public record. As a result of leveraging CT Energy funds, over 1.1 megawatts of solar is in process being installed on Wilton Town Library, Miller Driscoll and Middlebrook schools, with Cider Mill and Wilton HS scheduled for 1H2018 installation. Further it was noted to request from consultants Mark Robbins and Dwayne Escola, as well as Chris Burney, photos of the solar installation for submission to the local newspapers.
4. Anna Marie Bilella gave an update on the December 14, 2017 Accelerator program meeting (notes attached). As a result, the WEC is interested to engage Hamden to understand the federal SolSmart program, West Hartford to understand the 100% renewables program, Westport to understand the Capstone program, and to invite Chris Lotspeich from Celtic Energy for a presentation on Energy Adaptive design and see how the principles may pertain to town building construction on Town Campus.
5. Peter Wrampe has set the schedule for 2018 meeting for the 3rd Wednesday each month at 7pm and will send around the exact dates (may be adjusted for holidays) and secure the facility at Comstock and post the 2018 calendar on the Town Calendar.
6. Patrice Gillespie gave an update on the CT state budget. She went through the highlights of the 2018 budget changes including the conclusion of the Clean Communities Energy program; and the current funding status of the CT Greenbank programs. It was agreed that Patrice would give a full report at the

January 2018 meeting. Input to that presentation will come from Debra Thompson-Van and Peter Wrampe understanding the Sustainable CT program, Anna Marie Bilella researching the CT Greenbank programs, and Patrice Gillespie updating on the Energyize CT programs. Further, we discussed being 5 points away from the \$10K award for the Clean Energy program and the steps needed by WEC and WGG to achieve the 100 points needed (by 12/31/17) to secure that award.

7. Peter Wrampe gave an update on the WEC website. It lead to a discussion about requiring a WEC communication plan and the ongoing absence of that plan. Peter Wrampe nominated Jim Jarvie to take over the WEC communication plan, which will be discussed further at the January 2018 meeting.
8. No public in attendance, so no public comment.
9. During member comment, Anna Marie reviewed the final Income Eligible flyer, which was unanimously embraced as the final version. Patrice Gillespie provided an update on the Zero Waste Fair (Sustainable) Wilton event that WGG is conducting on March 24. She also indicated this event would be held instead of the annual WGG festival. The WEC felt the topics WGG proposed were closely aligned to the Sustainable CT program and requested a table for the event and offered to publicize the event at the next Accelerator meeting thereby securing other Fairfield county towns into the event participation. Jim Jarvie asked for sharing of the previous documents that held WEC plans and achievements. The WEC dropbox is going to be reactivated for use. Further, the C-Pace program is will be funded in 2018 and it was discussed reaching out to the new business buildings being constructed on RT 7 for inclusion of energy efficiency and renewable solutions into those building designs.
10. Debra Thompson-Van called the meeting to adjourn at 9:00pm. Peter Wrampe 2nd.