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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting, Monday October 1, 2012 Library, Presidents Room 7:00pm > 9:00pm

Members Present: Bruce Hampson, Chair; Richard Creeth, Vice Chair; Rob Sanders; Hal Clark; Karen Birck; Walter Kress; Peter Wrampe; Patrice Gillespie. Jana Bertkau, WGG Representative.

Member not Present: Steven Rosenbaum

Guest: Steve Bell, Teacher Coach: High School Recycling Club

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman Hampson called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm
- Approval of Minutes of August 22, 2012 Meeting: Rob Sanders moved and Richard Creeth seconded a motion to approve the Minutes. The Minutes were approved unanimously.
- 3. Welcome Steve Bell: Chairman Hampson welcomed Steve Bell to the meeting.
- 4. **General Update**: Chairman Hampson briefed the Commission on the following
 - System to control lights at the Stadium and playing fields and to bill for the electrical usage
 - Electric Car presentation at the Library on September 9. This was the first in an Environmental Speaker series sponsored by Wilton Go Green Inc. Hal Clark presided at a Ribbon Cutting for the Library EV Station.
 - IKEA in New Haven will install a one megawatt Solar installation, the largest in CT.
 - CEFIA has introduced PACE; a program to provide funding for commercial energy upgrades with low interest loans.
- 5. W.G.G Report: Jana Bertkau
 - Jana invited Steve Bell, High School teacher coach to the Recycling Club. Steve described the work of the Club and their interest in participating in a Student Environmental Award competition sponsored by Wilton Go Green Inc.
 - The WGG has agreed to sponsor a 2013 Green Festival to be held on May 5, 2013
 - Jana announced a WGG sponsored Green Speaker Series to be held at the Library
- 6. **Connecticut Clean Energy Communities Program**: Patrice Gillespie gave a Power Point presentation on the 2012 CT Clean Energy Communities program
 - Wilton has subscribed to the CT Clean Energy Communities since 2007. The new plan has been greatly expanded to include Energy Conservation.

- The formal introduction of the detailed plan by the State is scheduled for November 2013.
- 7. CCM (CT Conference of Municipalities) Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) program update.
 - Bruce Hampson briefed the Commission on the status of this program.
- 8. **Solar opportunity press article update**: Steve Rosenbaum was not present so Bruce Hampson briefed the Commission on this subject.
 - The Wilton Bulletin expressed interest in doing an article on the Residential and the Municipal Solar opportunity programs.
 - Bruce Hampson and Peter Wrampe will meet with their reporter on October 18.
- 9. Gas Energy update: Walter Kress briefed the Commission on the latest status.
 - Yankee Gas will appoint a Project Manager for the Wilton project in four to six weeks
 - The property title issues along River Road appear to be close to final resolution.
 - It is anticipated that the Gas line will be laid beginning in May or June 2013 and continue through to the High School.
- 10. **Schedule of next meeting**: The tentative date for the next meeting is October 24.
- **11. Adjournment :** The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM