

WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION

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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION
Meeting, Tuesday September 17th, 2019

Comstock Community Center – Room 31

7:00 pm

Minutes

Attending WEC Members (6): Anna Marie Bilella, Eileen Griffin, Glenn Hemmerle, Rich Hubli, Nicole Murphy, and Peter Wrampe

Absent WEC Members (3): Kevin Gardiner, Dave Heiden, and Rudi Hoefling

Other Attendees (1) : Debra McFadden (BOS)

1. Calling the Meeting to Order: **At 7:02 pm**
2. Review of this agenda with opportunity to make a motion to add additional, if any, items
No changes proposed or made
3. Approval for Minutes of July 29th, 2019 and July 31st, 2019 meetings – **Both approved 5:0**
4. Status of Action Items identified during last meeting, if any **No pending action items**
5. Sustainable CT update (Eileen, Kevin, Peter)

Eileen:

- Submittal was on time; we applied for points, in excess of the 200 required for Bronze Status
- SCT will advise in early October if we achieved Bronze Status
- Significant work/rework had to be done in the Equity portion of our submittal

Debra:

- Reiterated and elaborated on Eileen's points

Peter:

- A significant number of town employees were deeply involved in gathering the info required for the application
- The info required from the Star Energy Manager (hereinafter "ESM") for items 6.1. and 6.2 were completed in time, in very large part due to the hours and efforts of Chris Burney.
- Peter has assumed the responsibility of keeping the oil consumption data in the ESM updated on a quarterly basis **and** to assure that Eversource updates their input into the ESM on a most regular basis.

6. Updates n VNM and Pending Solar projects (Peter)

- Project Nr. 1 (for 0.8 million kWh/yr for Wilton) is under construction and start up is envisaged to take place in November
- Project Nr. 2 (for 1.6 million kWh/yr for Wilton) has been approved and will be constructed in 2010

7. Review of Patrice Gillespie's transmittal of "*Launch of HeatSmart CT*" info package

- Reviewed, discussed and reached the preliminary conclusion that it is not appropriate for Wilton (cost of electricity to operate the heat pump is too high?)

8. Continued discussion of 2019 Focus Area for WEC and individual ownership of responsibility for certain areas

- Nicole (with Anna Marie and Rich): Explore "Community Solar".

Action: Nicole to send info on subject to WEC members

- Rich: Continue to drive conversion to LED to save energy
Identify firms that conduct residential energy audits.
- Glenn: Solar on High School
Carport Solar
- Peter: Maintain *Star Energy Manager* updated on a quarterly basis

9. Marketing and Communications

- Communicate to the town if we receive SCT Bronze certification

10. Members comment

- Peter:
 - Kevin will be stepping down after the October 15th meeting
- Eileen
 - We need to elect a new Vice Chair at our next meeting (October 15th)
- Peter
 - We need to elect a Secretary at our next meeting (October 15th)
- Eileen
 - Will be the Recording Secretary at our next meeting (October 15th) and, if we have no candidates for this position, then we need to consider doing this on a rotating basis.

11. Public comment

- Deborah
 - Thanked the WEC for their efforts w/r to the STC application

12. Adjournment: **At 8:42 pm**