

Minutes

Clean Energy Task Force

Special meeting, Monday, March 21, 2016

Town Hall Conference Room A, 7:30 p.m.

Present: Cathy Alfandre, Heidi Armster, Katie Callahan, Carroll Brooke

Cathy convened the meeting at 7:40.

Minutes briefly discussed. Katie motioned to approve; Carroll seconded. Passed unanimously.

Report/discussion on JBHS and SSES solar

Carroll passed out a graph with generation data showing over 50,000 kWh generated since the start of the system in November.

He also reported that the CT Post did a story about the solar array.

JBHS: Carroll visited the roof with both John Dunster and Walter Czudak. He also had a discussion with the Fields and Facilities Committee Chair Mike D'Agostino.

Upcoming Spotlights

Regina is working on a Spotlight on the Home Energy Solutions program.

Katie will work on a Spotlight on the E-Recycling.

Earth Day

E-Recycling:

Will be held on Saturday April 9, from 8 to 1. Katie explained that the company will bring and set up pretty much everything needed.

Katie will check with the school and the police on the date before we start to advertise. Ed Nagy will do the sandwich board signs for around town and set up cones in the parking lot.

Cathy will do publicity: Hello Easton, Courier, School Newsletters, Patch, Facebook (Moms of Easton), Town of Easton Website, JBHS Focus.

Katie will distribute fliers around town: EVS, Senior Center, Library, ECC, Town Hall.

Clean Energy Communities

Carroll and Cathy attended and reported on an event hosted by the Clean Water Action group. There were 68 people who attended the all-day session with information on town initiatives and state groups within the Clean Energy Communities.

Cathy discussed with the TF an idea heard about at this event, one that she has been interested in bringing forth: To introduce adding clean energy into the town's Plan of Conservation and Development reports, so that there is an official statement and guidelines for the town and future development.

Cathy also asked the TF for ideas on points for the renewables track of the Clean Energy Communities. There was an open invitation from Bob Wall at the event to offer ideas for points towns can earn for renewable projects. The goal is to incentivize projects and help create a market in renewables.

Portfolio Manager

Cathy reported that we have now lost our data entry person with Janet Haller being promoted to the Selectman's assistant. She reacquainted herself with the portfolio manager so that we can produce a report. Will discuss going forward how often we should be providing reports to interested town parties.

Annual Report

Cathy asked the group to look over her submission for the Annual Report; The TF offered some brief edits.

Heidi motioned to adjourn; Carroll seconded.

Cathy adjourned the meeting at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi Armster, Secretary
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