

CC Energy Committee Meeting - Minutes

February 27, 2018

Parks and Rec Conference Room, Town Hall

Attendance: Urling Searle, Skip Parker, Frank Parker, Steve Hall, Bob Brady, Sarah Nahabedian, and Denise Savageau.

Call to order at: 8:40 by Urling Searle.

Introductions: Savageau introduced Hall and Brady as new committee members.

1. **Approval of minutes.** Motion made by Frank Parker and seconded by Urling to approve the minutes of 1/21/2017 as presented. Motion carried with Brady abstaining.
2. **Strategic Energy Planning with Eversource** – Savageau reviewed the SEMP planning process with the Committee. Review the 3 key components of the plan that includes energy efficiency, distributed generation, and community outreach. She also reviewed benchmarking that had been completed to date and gave update on the audits being conducted as part of the planning effort. Discussion ensued about the plan and role of the Energy Committee in the development and implementation of plan. Items for future agendas include involving commercial in renewable energy programs and as part of a modern grid and looking at renewables for municipal buildings using performance contracting. Savageau indicated she had set up at meeting with the CT Green Bank and Selectman Litvack to discuss performance contracting. Rusty Parker and Steve Hall will join to the meeting.
3. **Clean Energy Program/Clean Water Action** – Savageau introduced this NGO as they serve to coordinate municipal Clean Energy Task Forces in CT. She also presented a sign on letter. Consensus to recommend sign on to the Conservation Commission.
4. **Sustainable CT** – Savageau reviewed the new program and energy piece of this. Nahabedian will be working on this.
5. **Bright Ideas Grant** – Savageau discussed the newly awarded \$15 K grant that was awarded for work done on energy efficiency. The grant can be used to help implement practices identified in the Town Hall audit.

Motion made by Brady and seconded by Hall to set up a meeting with BET to discuss the energy planning efforts including the potential cost savings from energy efficiency and renewable energy implementation on town buildings. Motion approved unanimously. Savageau indicated she would set this up once the BET has moved the budget to the RTM for approval.

6. **Next meeting** – Nahabedian will coordinate dates via email.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Submitted by,

Denise Savageau