

Hampton Green Energy Committee
Hampton, CT 06247
Minutes
Wednesday, October 11, 2017
7:00 PM
Town Hall Conference Room

1. Call to Order
Chair Kate Donnelly called the meeting to order at 7:00. Committee members in attendance were Kate Donnelly, Maryellen Donnelly, Ellen Embardo, Rachel Girshick, Ev Hyde, Susan Lovegreen, Bob Marsh, Revell Sandberg-Diment, and Sharon Wakely. Also in attendance were Stan Crawford, Roger Dionne, and Michael Quick.
2. Audience for Citizens
Stan Crawford shared that he is working with Goodwin State Forest staff on a program about sustainable systems that will include alternative systems on his property. The target date will be during March 2018.
3. Approval of Minutes: 9/13/17
Motion: Susan Lovegreen moved, Bob Marsh seconded, to approve the minutes of 9/13/17. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Additions to the Agenda
Motion: Rachel Girshick moved, Sharon Wakely seconded to add discussion of benchmarked data to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Old Business
 - a. Webpage Updates
Ellen is working on adding a banner to the website.
 - b. "Electric Evolution, Renewable Solutions" - October 14; 10-2
 - i. Reports-Hampton Festival, press, flyer distribution, Eversource mailing
The flyer for the Walktober event was distributed at the HGEC table during the Hampton Fall Festival. The table drew a lot of interest in residential and farm alternative systems. Ellen is updating the map of Hampton systems. Kate sent press releases to the Chronicle and the Norwich Bulletin. Flyers have been distributed throughout neighboring towns and a few more will be posted. A letter was mailed by Eversource to Hampton addresses with an Eversource account regarding the Home Energy Solutions audit program along with the flyer.
 - ii. Food
Renee's Working Girl Catering will provide a bag lunch of sandwich and pasta salad. Kate will bring cider and apples. Rachel will pick up individually packaged desserts.
 - iii. Displays-vendors
The Last Green Valley (Enviroscape)
TechniArt (LED giveaway and sales)
Lantern Energy (Home Energy Solutions audits, i.e. evaluations)
Ellen will provide the map of Hampton alternative energy systems as well as the slide show.
Kate will bring brochures about efficiency and solar.
Linda Sanchini, Hampton Elementary School teacher, will bring student projects.
 - iv. Door Prizes

Kate has secured about ten prizes including two Home Energy Solution audits, two Kill-a-Watt, solar lamps, and a wind power kit.

- v. Tasks for event-open school, tape off car area, put up signs, set up tables, chairs, screen, projector, clean up
Committee members reviewed tasks and who will carry them out. Cars secured for the event are the Bolt, Volt, Tesla, Prius and Insight and possibly a Leaf.

6. New Business

- a. Next meeting-100PercentCT- A Plan for 100% Renewable Energy in CT
The main topic of the November meeting will be the program presented by guest speaker Bernie Pellitier.
- b. Reappointment to Committee
Ellen and Susan are not requesting to be reappointed. The committee thanks Ellen and Susan sincerely for their work. Members are asked to recruit new members by the November meeting. Names will be submitted to the Board of Selectmen for approval during their December meeting.
- c. Geoengineering
Rachel reported that Rhode Island passed an amended bill creating a commission of five people to prepare a report on licensing of geoengineering and solar radiation programs. HGEC members felt it is a topic to investigate as individuals rather than by the committee with the exception of it being a possible film series topic.
- d. Benchmarked Data
Maryellen reported that all electric data for town accounts is on the Energy Star Portfolio Manager website and that new data is being entered automatically each month by Eversource. Billed Usage is benchmarked but not Sales (of solar generated electricity) and Purchases. An Eversource person has provided Purchases and Sales data from the beginning of metering of each account through mid September 2017. This data can be requested from Eversource or recorded from bills. The Town Hall inverter meter reading for 10-11-17 was 70787. Discussion of a monitor for Town Hall solar can be added to the next agenda as well initiating read only access to Energy Star Portfolio Manager data.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Susan Lovegreen moved, Bob Marsh seconded, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryellen Donnelly

Note: Minutes are draft until accepted at a subsequent HGEC meeting.