Hampton Green Energy Committee Hampton, CT 06247 Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 13, 2017 7:00 PM Town Hall Conference Room

1. Call to Order

Chair Kate Donnelly called meeting to order at 7:09. Committee members in attendance were Kate Donnelly, Ellen Embardo, Rachel Girshick, Ev Hyde, Bob Marsh and Revell Sandberg-Diment

Also in attendance was Alan Cahill.

2. Discussion of P&Z Solar Ground Mount Proposal

Motion: Ev moved, Ellen seconded, to move discussion up on the agenda from New Business. Ev needed to leave early to fix a heating system.

- a. Eve led a discussion on the language of the Solar Ground Mount Proposal. Suggestions for ground mounts included minimizing possible aesthetic issues by placing solar in backyards or sideyards if possible but not requiring sight plans or P&Z commission for aesthetic approval.
- b. Eve proposed asking John Guszkowski to move the P&Z Solar Ground Mount Proposal review from Monday, December 18, 2017 to Monday, January 22, 2018. Rachel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

3. Audience for Citizens

None

4. Approval of Minutes: 11/8/17

Motion: Rachel moved, Ellen seconded, to approve the minutes of November 8, 2017. Motion passed unanimously

5. Additions to the Agenda

None

6. New Business

a. Set committee meeting dates

Motion: Bob moved, Revell seconded to set the meeting dates for 2018 as1/10, 2/14, 3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/8, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, 12/12.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Budget and Annual Report

Motion: Ellen moved, Rachel seconded, to Request \$5,000 for green energy education and \$8,000 for green energy and efficiency improvements.

Motion passed unanimously.

c. January Meeting

Revell will chair the January meeting in Kate's absence. P&Z Solar Ground Mount Proposal will be reviewed.

d. Outgoing member Ellen gave an update on the HGEC webpage. She has a spreadsheet and slideshow of current town solar sites, poster and webpage materials on a flash drive for the next member to take her position.

7 Old Business

a. 100% Hampton Campaign Discussion

Hampton has the potential to have 100% renewable energy. Benchmarking is the first step.

b. Reappointment to Committee

Kate Donnelly, Maryellen Donnelly Everett Hyde, Bob Marsh, Revell Sandberg-Diment, Sharon Wakely and Paul Wakely Alternate. Michael Quick has been appointed to the committee as a new member. Rachel Girshick's term has not expired. All other terms end January, 2020. The committee is currently looking for one additional member.

c. Bright Ideas Grant

Kate reported that Hampton was among the last towns that would get the grant. Many towns did not have enough points to receive a grant before the program ended. Alan reported that new energy efficient window installation was underway.

8. Adjournment

Motion: Rachel moved, Bob seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Revell Sandberg-Diment

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