

Hampton Green Energy Committee
Hampton, CT 06247
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 14, 2016
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: Kate Donnelly, Maryellen Donnelly, Ellen Embardo, Ev Hyde, Rachel Girshick, Susan Lovegreen, Bob Marsh, and Revell Sandberg-Diment.

2. AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 10/12/16

Motion: Bob Marsh moved, Susan Lovegreen seconded, to approve the minutes of 10/12/16 with the change in item 5d, "number of solar installations" to *number of clean energy systems*. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2017 Meeting Schedule

- i. January 11**
- February 8,**
- March 8**
- April 12**
- May 10**
- June 14**
- July 12**
- August 9**
- September 13**
- October 11**
- November 8**
- December 13**

ii. Hampton Town Hall Conference Room

Motion: Rachel Girshick moved, Ellen Embardo seconded, to approve the dates listed, the place listed and 7 PM as the meeting time for the Hampton Green Energy Committee in 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

The dates listed are the second Wednesday as the month, as is current practice.

b. Solarize

The committee advises to run a Solarize campaign only if another nearby town signs on and the towns run a campaign together.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. HES indoor lighting

Earthlight Technologies has contacted the elementary school in order to schedule installation of LED lamps with ballasts that emit less RF interference in one room and another type of LED ballasts in a second room to see if a problem is rectified through use of the less interfering ballasts (which are more costly and less efficient). The decision on which LED ballasts to use throughout the school will then be made and Earthlight will finish approval of the full project with Eversource and specify incentives and financing.

b. Benchmarking Town Buildings

The visit for the energy audit of the Town Garage has been completed. The report has not yet been received.

c. Elementary School Energy Audit

A draft of the energy audit report has been received but not commented upon by the Board of Education. A request for the infrared scan will be made now since outdoor temperatures permit. Revell suggested solar-powered battery back up rather than a new generator at the school.

d. Green Energy Webpage

Ellen hung a map of clean energy systems in the Town Hall and requests that committee members report new installations to her. Ellen will continue to provide Town Hall staff with updates for the webpage.

e. Recycling Guidebook

Susan checked all contact information in the guidebook. The committee briefly discussed distribution of the guidebook when the formatting is completed.

f. Plan of Conservation

Ev commented on the Plan of Conservation that has been completed. It can be revised prior 2026 when it is required to be updated.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Rachel Girshick moved, Susan Lovegreen seconded, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryellen Donnelly

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