

Hampton Green Energy Committee
Hampton, Connecticut
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 3, 2011
7:00 PM

1. Call to order

Roger Dionne called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Committee members in attendance: Roger Dionne; Kate Donnelly, ex officio, First Selectman; Maryellen Donnelly; Bob Marsh; Revell Sandberg-Diment; and Frank Russell.

2. Additions to the Agenda: None.

3. Approval of Minutes: 7/6/11.

Motion: Frank Russell moved, Roger Dionne seconded, to approve the minutes of 7/6/11. Motion passed unanimously.

4. New Business:

a. Plan for 1kW system earned through CT Clean Energy Community Program

A 3/30/11 MOU was signed between Hampton and the CT Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) for a PV system that Hampton had earned through the Clean Energy Communities Program. Effective July 1, 2011, CCEF became part of the newly created Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority (CEFIA). CCEF meetings have been canceled and a CEFIA Board needs to be established. Kate Donnelly will continue to pursue the PV system and knowledge about programs that were under CCEF.

b. HES roof progress and re-installation plan for thermal system removed for roofing installation.

The roof project is moving along nicely. The solar thermal system was removed by the original installers, Legacy Mechanical Group (LMG), and will be reinstalled by them.

c. Film Series

The first film, *Fuel*, was shown and was very informative. Flyers for the series were given to HGEC members to distribute.

d. Town energy plan, energy engineer for area.

Kate Donnelly suggested that we look at models and suggested towns with good plans. HGEC will discuss a town plan in September. Maryellen Donnelly will outline steps taken since the HGEC began.

e. Outdoor lighting plans.

Revell Sandberg-Diment presented LED lighting suggested by two companies and costs. He will seek suggestions from the town electrician and speak with him about a model light that was offered by one company. Town Hall has centralized timers. Motion detectors need to be installed. Revell will also look at the garage plans for lighting recommendations on a recent building. Further, Revell will look into a lighting rebate through CL&P and Direct Energy. Kate Donnelly will read town lighting regulations.

- f. Energy audits for library and firehouse.**
No information is available.
 - g. PV panel installation at town garage status.**
Installation requires a meter number and a meter has not yet been installed. The PV plan was approved by P&Z.
- 5. Old Business:**
 - a. Report of workshop meeting with other area towns.**
No initiatives were discussed.
 - b. Lighting-night options for municipal buildings.**
HGEC will work toward lighting for Town Hall first. Grant opportunities will be sought. See 4 e.
 - c. New legislation exempting renewable energy installations from local property taxes.**
New legislation has made renewable energy installations exempt in all Connecticut towns. Hybrid and electric vehicles are exempt by town ordinances.
- 6. Audience for Citizens** None
- 7. Next Agenda Planning**
Town Hall lighting
Town Energy Plan
Energy Audits
- 8. Adjournment**
Frank Russell moved, Bob Marsh seconded, to adjourn at 8:44 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryellen Donnelly
Secretary