

**CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE MINUTES**  
**SUBJECT TO APPROVAL**  
**July 6, 2015**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Commissioner Beinstein in the Room 103 of Simsbury Town Hall, with the following members present: Bob Beinstein, Mark Scully, Melissa Osborne and Susan Van Kleef.

**1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING ON APRIL 6th, 2015:**

The minutes from the meeting of May 4, 2015 were reviewed. Commissioner Van Kleef made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Scully seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

- Correction to minutes – add numbers to lines.

**2. PUBLIC AUDIENCE:**

Commissioner Beinstein opened the floor for public audience. Mike Manzi and Ali Jackman, from Eversource the Clean Energy Communities Team, were present to discuss ideas for the Bright Ideas grant and reaching out to Simsbury business owners. They clarified that the Bright Ideas grant can't be used for a solar phone charger. They also said that the Bright Ideas grant can't be used to subsidize Home Energy Solutions audits though the funds could be used to promote the HES program. Funds can also be used for light bulb swaps. Eversource has literature to help promote these programs that can be customized for Simsbury. Ali said she would send a list of ideas for Bright Ideas funds. Mike and Ali also described a program on July 25, 2015 in Clinton to present the Business Energy Solutions program available to business owners after hours. Eversource worked with the Chamber of Commerce and a sponsor to customize promotional materials. A representative from Eversource would be present to explain the Business Energy Solutions program. The CETF discussed having a light bulb swap and an after hours presentation to businesses in the future. Commissioner Beinstein closed public audience.

**3. BRIGHT IDEA PROPOSAL DISCUSSION:**

Since the Bright Ideas grant can't be used for a solar cell phone charger or to subsidize the HES program it was agreed that we should ask Tom Roy to attend the September CETF meeting to discuss uses for the funds. Commissioner Van Kleef will contact Tom Roy.

**4. GREEN BUSINESS CHALLENGE PROGRAM PLANS DISCUSSION:**

There was no further discussion about this program.

**5. CETF WEBSITE PLAN DISCUSSION:**

Commissioner Van Kleef will continue to update the website.

**6. SCHOOL SOLAR PROPOSAL DISCUSSION:**

Commissioner Scully indicated that has not been able to pursue this any further at this time. He will continue to investigate so requested that the topic remain on the agenda for future meetings.

**7. OPEN FORUM:**

No additional topics were discussed.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is August 3, 2015.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Van Kleef motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Osborne and unanimously approved.