**CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE MINUTES**

**October 21, 2019**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:35 p.m. by Commissioner Beinstein in Room

103 at Simsbury Town Hall, with the following members present: Bob Beinstein, Cheri Calnan,

Mark Scully, Tim Walczak and Mike Tanca

**1. PUBLIC AUDIENCE**

There was public audience. Peter and Marie Millman and Ieke Scully. Peter gave a presentation to the committee concerning Community Choice Aggregation. CCA allows the town to select an energy provider for its citizens that may result in lower electric rates, a larger renewable portfolio and more energy efficiency projects. Residents can opt out of a CCA if they do not want to participate. Eversource will still provide transmission of the electricity. Towns that wish to participate must pass a municipal resolution to begin the process. The CCA may take about one year or more to complete the process.

**2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2019**

Due to a lack of a quorum at the September 2019 meeting, the September minutes did not need to be approved. The minutes from August 19, 2019 were reviewed by all. A motion was made by Mark Scully and was seconded by Tim Walczak to approve the minutes. All commissioners voted in favor and the motion passed.

**3. UPDATE TOWN PROGRESS ON SUSTAINABLE CT**

Cheri said that our final point total is over 200 points so we have already achieved Bronze status. We have filed additional items and we still may qualify for Silver level at 400 points. We will not be notified by Sustainable CT until October 24th.

Cheri stated that there is a Sustainable CT meeting on October 30th at the New Britain Museum that we have been invited.

**4. RIBBON-CUTTING FOR SKATING RINK SOLAR ARRAY**

We have not been notified by the town if any ceremony has been planned, at this time.

**5. OUTREACH FOR ENERGY PLAN**

Tom Roy and Mark Scully made a presentation to the Board of Selectman on our energy plan on October 16th. BOS members responded to the presentation, positively. We did not get into the details of the plan at that time. The BOS passed a resolution to have the CETF continue this work.

Our next steps are to go to the Board of Education and the Board of Finance and other boards to communicate our work.

**6. OPEN FORUM**

Bob Beinstein made a motion for the CETF to recommend to the Town of Simsbury BOS to advocate Commumity Choice Energy and file a letter of interest to the state. The motion was seconded by Mark Scully.

Next meeting date will be Monday November 18, 2019 at 6:30 in Rm. 103

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Tim Walczak made a motion to adjourn at 8:37. Cheri Calnan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mike Tanca