

CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE MINUTES
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
December 11, 2017
REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. by Commissioner Ray in the Room 103 of Simsbury Town Hall, with the following members present: Jim Ray, Regina Pynn, Susan Van Kleef, and Mark Scully.

1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING ON 13 November 2017:

The minutes from the November 13 meeting were reviewed by all. A motion was made, seconded, and voted on. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

2. PUBLIC AUDIENCE:

Commissioner Ray opened the floor for public audience.

Mr. Tom Roy, Simsbury Director of Public Works, was in attendance.

Mr. Roy discussed options for the CETF to submit projects for the Bright Idea Grant program before its funding is removed as part of the 2017 state budget.

During public audience the meeting and all commissioners briefly changed rooms in Simsbury Town Hall to support Mr. Roy as he presented to the Board of Selectmen to seek approval from the BoS to proceed with the previously discussed plan for the existing Bright Ideas Grant (energy usage monitoring “tiles”).

Additionally, the BoS voted to authorize submission and approval for an additional Bright Ideas Grant. Mr. Roy’s remarks are captured in greater detail in the minutes from the Board of Selectman meeting.

The commissioners returned to Room 103 with Mr. Roy and proceeded with the rest of the meeting. With no other comments or discussion for the public record, the public audience closed.

3. BRIGHT IDEA GRANT - DISCUSSION OF PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL GRANTS:

Actions for the proposal for the additional grant were discussed during the public audience.

4. SMALL BUSINESS ENERGY ADVANTAGE PLANS/STATUS DISCUSSION:

Further efforts for this effort are pending the finalization of the plans for the second Bright Idea Grant as to how they can be utilized for the local businesses.

5. DEEPWATER WIND SOLAR FARM DISCUSSION:

The process is continuing with the final decision to be made by the Connecticut Siting Council by December 26th. No further discussion at this meeting.

6. OPEN FORUM:

No additional topics were discussed.

7. NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 16th

8. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion, second, and vote to adjourn the meeting at occurred at approximately 8pm. The motion was unanimously approved.