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## CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE MINUTES

September 2, 2009

### REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Chairman Boeshans in Room 103 of Simsbury Town Hall, with the following members present: Patrick Boeshans, Al Weisbrich, Susan Van Kleef and Jim Ray.

#### 1. APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed by all and Chairman Boeshans requested a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 22, 2009. Commissioner Van Kleef made the motion to approve the minutes with changes. Commissioner Ray seconded the motion.

#### 2. PUBLIC AUDIENCE

Chairman Boeshans opened up the floor for public audience. No comments were entered into the record and the public audience was closed.

#### 3. REVIEW OF ACTIONABLE ITEMS

A general overview of the open action items was done to determine any updates in status. The updates will be included in the next version that is sent out to the committee.

Commissioner Fernand has continued to follow up with the Clean Energy Fund in regard to the Clean Energy Fund grant. With the next step being the training that will need to be taken, Commissioner Fernand has advised via e-mail that the training will be offered via a webinar on September 9th, 1 – 2 p.m. Commissioner Fernand will participate and another member of the CETF is required. Chairman Boeshans volunteered to participate also.

Commissioner Van Kleef and Commissioner Ray indicated the second time at the Simsbury Farmer's Market was not as good as the first as the location was not in the main path this time. Still had a few who took the sign up forms. Commissioner Van Kleef also met the owner of the Touch of Class Consignment shop who said she just signed up for Clean Energy.

Commissioner Van Kleef indicated that we were setting up a certification program and with her sign up, she would be eligible for recognition. She indicated enthusiasm for the program so she may be a good candidate for some publicity and a location to distribute the sign up forms.

Commissioner Ray indicated that he had talked to Jane Porterfield who owns Educational Playcare which also is signed up to the Clean Energy program. She also is interested in the certification program.

Commissioner Van Kleef had brought the display items that were used at the library. Since they are now no longer being used, she will check for a possibility of setting up a display in Town Hall. Chairman Boeshans indicated he has a lot more graphics now so can update the signs also. Since the last meeting, Chairman Boeshans indicated that the proposal request for funding had been finalized and sent by the Town to Aquarion Water Company for consideration. Only the editorial changes that were made at the last meeting were done with no change to the funding level for the educational kits. If granted, CETF will just work within the available funds.

Commissioner Weisbrich had discussed the use of yard signs at the last meeting to promote clean energy. This was deferred until funding is available either through the Clean Energy Fund community grants and/or Aquarion.

Chairman Boeshans indicated that he had been contacted by the Simsbury Junior Women's Club to do a presentation. He will set that up with them as mutually determined. Commissioner Ray indicated that since the Rotary Club presentation had been postponed in May, he did not try to reschedule over the summer. With the new season now underway, he will contact them to do the presentation sometime this fall.

Chairman Boeshans indicated that Tom Roy had requested CETF to help with the building energy usage data entry required as part of the EPA challenge. All agreed that CETF can help in this regard.

Chairman Boeshans also indicated he had been contacted by a person with the Greater New Haven Clean Cities program. No one was aware of this program, so Chairman Boeshans will find out more about it and how we could fit in.

Commissioner Ray indicated that the Hartford Courant had an article today about the Enfield Clean Energy group having set up a new website.

Commissioner Ray will send the website link out to the CETF for information.

#### 4. IDENTIFICATION OF NEW ACTIONABLE ITEMS

Chairman Boeshans will invite Tom Roy to our next meeting to update CETF on the current status of all of the Town's energy efforts, information from his attendance at the West Hartford energy forum and to provide further information about the EPA challenge building energy data entry needs.

#### 5. OPEN FORUM

No additional topics for discussion were identified.

#### 6. NEXT MEETING/FUTURE MEETINGS CALENDER

The following future meeting dates were confirmed: September 16, 2009;

September 30, 2009; October 14, 2009; October 28, 2009, November 9, 2009 and December 9, 2009.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ray motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Chairman Boeshans and unanimously approved.