

Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting Minutes: 2/7/2022

Present: G Ames, B Babcock, B Horne, J Prins, D Rabin, E Cahill, S Huttner, S McCarthy

Absent: M Cox, Diana McCarthy-Bercury

Guests: Stephan Hartmann, Jeff Clark

Stephan Hartmann, Earthlight and a Branford resident, was invited to continue speaking and answering questions about several topics:

- EV Chargers: generous business/municipal incentives; level 2 maximum rebate per site is up to \$20,000. For underserved communities, up to \$40,000 rebate. Level 3 (charges in minutes) EV chargers are eligible for up to \$150k in rebate (\$250k for environmental justice/distressed areas; 3 in Branford).

- Buildings in rate 55 should be checked for increased rates.

- Community House could do a stand-alone battery; solar parking lot does not give the economy of scale needed. Municipalities may virtually allocate excess solar to other sites.

- REC's (Renewable Energy Credits) are now offered for 20 years, increased from 15 in old ZREC (Zero-Emission Renewable Energy Credits) program.

- All non-residential solar, <200KW due by Monday; after that, go on waiting list. March 14, 2022 is deadline for larger program.

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:09