

Branford Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes December 19, 2022

Attending: J Prins, D Rabin, J Killelea, A Corry, S McCarthy, M Cohen, B Babcock

Absent: M Cox, E Cahill, S Huttner, G Ames, E Mahler

1. S McCarthy opened the meeting at 4:08 PM
2. Approved minutes of the November 28 meeting, John P moved, Bob B seconded, approved.
3. EV chargers: S. Huttner No report
4. Schools: JPrins, BBabcock: John created a resolution document for the upcoming B.O.E. meeting on Wednesday to take the next step for the B.O.E. to support the Net Zero program. John will be sending out a copy of the resolution to all of us. Shirley, Greg, and Bob will attend the meeting.
5. Net0/police dept: SMcCarthy: The Police Dept renovation program is moving ahead as planned. The Net Zero concept is being proposed. The Public Building Commission is reviewing the project closely.
6. HeatSmart2: DRabin, MCohen: Dan reported the next phase will be advancing and going out on January 23, 2023. Branford will be working with East Haven to better support the Income Eligible residents in East Haven. "Buck Slips" have been designed and approved by their respective parties in East Haven and Branford. Dan has worked with the Social Services, Mayor's office, and others to put this together.
7. Small Business Energy Efficiency: BBabcock, DRabin: Bob stated the committee has more than met their 2022 goal set by Eversource. The goal was 26 accounts for 2022. To date we have worked on eighty-five prospects with Artis Energy. The working relationship with Artis Energy has worked out very well. Eversource is very pleased with our results. We will be submitting our Grant request in January for 2023.
8. Sustainability position: SMcCarthy. DMcCarthy- Bercury's last day is this week. A new employee has been hired.
9. Publicity: SHuttner: Adrian Cory presented a document about better marketing our committee; we were all asked to review the document for ideas. Also, we discussed setting up our own website given the Town's is hard to find. Adrian will be sending out copies to everyone.
10. New Business: JPrins spoke about a scholarship project he wants to do for the students where they use art to describe/express their feelings about climate change. The committee was supportive and BBabcock had several ideas about raising the money.
11. At 5:15 BBabcock moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by MCohen, majority voted to adjourn.
12. Respectfully submitted *Bob Babcock*