

Branford Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee Minutes 10/23/23

Present: S. McCarthy (Chair), T. Bowne, J. Prins, M. Cohen, R. Babcock, G. Ames, E. Mahler, S. Huttner, V. Chiocchio, D. Rabin Absent: D.Laich, A.Corry, E.Cahill, J.Killelea

S. McCarthy called the meeting to order. The Minutes of 9/25/23 were unanimously approved on a motion by J. Prins and a second by R. Babcock.

S. McCarthy introduced new committee member Vincent Chiocchio.

S. Huttner spoke about the search for IRA fundable projects. T. Bowne suggested that solar on the high school roof was a logical application.

E. Mahler reported that the Short Beach Community Association PowerSmart presentation was well attended. There was a lot of interest and signups for the program. We will look for other groups to present to; S. Huttner will approach the Pawson Park group, S. McCarthy will contact Pine Orchard.

D. Rabin reported that HeatSmart East Haven has been funded and is ready to go. SCROG may be a vehicle to establish an IRA fundable regional program. He will be presenting at an 11/11 CT Energy Network meeting.

T. Bowne and J. Prins attended a SustainableCT presentation to accept Branford's Bronze designation award and noted that we will now be pursuing a "climate leader" designation and the silver rating.

R. Babcock reported on a meeting about the SBEA program with East Haven officials and business leaders who were very helpful. He expects to make good progress.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by R.Babcock seconded by S. Huttner.

Submitted by G. Ames

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