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Branford Clean Energy Ad Hoc Committee Special Meeting Agenda 5/20 4pm

Attending: S McCarthy, M Cohen, G Ames, S Huttner, T Bowne, B Garbati, D Laich D Babin, E Mahler

Absent: J Killilea, V Chiocchio, J Prins, B Babcock

- 1. GAmes: Buildings. The police HQ project is going well.
- 2. BGarbati: ESG town work Energy Systems Group performs energy analysis, design, and contracting. They are working on the Animal Shelter and have proposed several other town projects, including Town Hall, the main Fire house, Orchard House, and Branford High School.
- 3. SHuttner: Smart Charging; Smart Charging is a certification program for which there were many questions raised by the sub-group. Recycling on the Green is an effort to place high tech recycling containers on the town green. The major problem is inappropriate disposal of trash in the containers. SH may reach out to other towns with experience to see if the proposed containers suffer from this issue.
- 4. TBowne: EV Chargers; solar; battery updates the proposed solar development at Ecology Park was accepted in the NRES program. One EV level 2 unit (with two charging stations) will be installed at the Community House and one unit will be installed at the public parking lot behind Pasta Cosi. The CCM battery cannot be installed at the Wastewater Treatment plant due to sea level rise so we will check if it can go to one of the schools.
- 5. DRabin: HeatSmart RiverCOG towns are waiting for a Community Participation Initiative grant from Energize CT. North Branford and Woodbridge efforts are under way. HES weatherization will start at Parkside II in June. New England Smart Energy will obtain an incentives package for installing heat pumps in PII's 40 units.
- 6. DRabin (JPrins): Mini forest The project is progressing, with a team meeting scheduled on 5/22.
- 7. SMcCarthy: Branford Festival will be held on the weekend of 6/14. Yale Solar Psychology conference: Residential solar installations often nucleate proliferation of solar in neighborhoods.