

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON  
CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021  
6:00 PM  
MEETING VIA ZOOM**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Martin Podskoch, Chairperson Kye Amtmanis, Lorry Belanger, and Paul Wisniewski.

**Absent:** Cynthia Singer and Kurt Reichenbach

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:38 P.M. by Chairperson Amtmanis.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- a) **Regular Meeting of September 1, 2020:** *A motion was made by Mr. Podskoch, seconded by Mr. Wisniewski, to approve of the January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting minutes with no changes. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

**Public Remarks:** None.

**Presentation:** John Hall of the Jonah Center joined the zoom call to present to the members. NRG power plant along the river is repairing their generator system. The plan would be to replace 2 turbines with the 1 existing turbine. This would let the plant run longer but the pollution into the air would be increased by 6%. The particulate pollution in the air would increase and the pollution would blow into East Hampton. There are three points that are needed to protest the repair. The three points would be that this repair undermines the state climate goals, it would emit more particulate pollution into the air that will blow into East Hampton, and the state does not need the energy the power plant produces since the plants in the state produce more than enough energy. The members suggested that this issue is put on the Town Council agenda for their next meeting for them to discuss and for Mr. Hall to present the information to the Town Council members. *A motion was made by Mr. Podskoch, seconded by Ms. Belanger, to recommend for the Town Council to oppose the planned repair to the power plant and to promote the three main points against the plant repair and to suggest the Town Council send a letter to the Middletown TC, the power plant officials, DEEP, and the senator for East Hampton. Voted 3-1-0 with Mr. Wisniewski abstaining.*

**Communications**

- a) **Town Staff Report:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Public Remarks:** None

**Adjournment:** *A motion was made by Mr. Podskoch, seconded by Ms. Belanger, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 P.M. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata  
Recording Clerk