

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON  
CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022  
6:00PM  
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Russ Kaplan, Darin Aliaoa, Paul Wisnieski, Lorry Belanger, and Marty Podskoch.

**Absent:** Kye Amtmanis

**Call to Order:** Mr. Kaplan called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

**Presentation from CT Energy Network- Patrice Gillespie:** Ms. Gillespie joined the call to present to the Task Force members and answer any questions. She mentioned a few people that could help and guide the members with setting up and running their programs and getting advice on which programs would benefit the community and town. John Greeno, Andy Bauer, and Kenny Foscue were the names given as support for the members. The CT Energy Network was formed by a group of concerned citizens and people looking to implement clean energy solutions for communities. Ms. Gillespie gave an example of a program implemented by their company. They mobilized a solarized program with the CT Greenbank to get homeowners qualified for solar for houses. Another example of saving the town money would be to build an entirely clean energy building, like if the town needs a new school building. The CT Energy Network works alongside PACE to host events and webinars to spread the information and awareness of clean energy solutions. The Network works alongside with other green energy companies like HeatSmart and Sustainable CT to host events, webinars, and programs for the community and the state. These groups and organizations help their communities and towns move into more green solutions for energy. They implement green programs and events in town to aide homeowners and businesses alike. It was suggested to form a sub-committee to keep track of the green solution programs and initiatives the Task Force undertakes. Another suggestion was to form a non-profit for the clean energy solutions so there wouldn't need to be a reason to go through the local government to start a program or host an event in town. The money would come from the non-profit to fund the programs and events. The non-profit would need to be an FOIA with town emails for each member. These suggestions were given to the members to be an example how they could better help the town and community.

**Adjournment:** *A motion was made by Mr. Kaplan, seconded by Mr. Wisnieski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk