

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
CLEAN ENERGY TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020
6:00 PM
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM**

Minutes

Present: Vice Chairman Kurt Reichenbach, Brian Gay, Martin Podskoch, and Lorry Belanger with Town Manager David Cox and Glen LeConche.

Absent: Cynthia Singer

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Gay.

Welcome New Member: The members welcomed Lorry Belanger as the newest member to the task force.

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of December 3, 2019- *A motion was made by Mr. Podskoch, seconded by Mr. Reichenbach, to approve of the December 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes with no amendments. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Public Remarks: Mr. Cox and Kye Amtmanis introduced themselves to Ms. Belanger.

Communications

- A) **Town Staff Report:** Mr. LeConche updated the members on the updates with the tesla batteries being produced. Trinity slowed down in December, but they will be picking in the coming months. The town has become very active with solar energy. Citrine is in the permitting stage of their project.

Old Business:

- A) **Citrine Solar:** The town has entered a 20-year contract with Citrine Solar. There have been 10 municipal accounts assigned to the credits from the project. This contract will be a benefit to the taxpayers in town. The site for the project is being approved. There will be a meeting to decide what the local process will be for building the solar site. The primary review of the project will be conducted by the state.
- B) **Future Initiatives:** None
- C) **Logo/Facebook/Website Info:** None

New Business:

- A) **CT Green Bank, C-PACE Program:** Nick from Green Bank is willing to hold a talk for the community. The presentation could help the businesses in town on how to become more efficient and use renewable energies in their company.
- B) **Eversource:** The company has renewable energy programs. The members discussed inviting Eversource to come in April to talk to the community about said programs.

- C) National Drive Electric Webinar- Friday, February 7th at 9:00am:** The webinar is an overview for the actual event. It helps with how to sign up for the event. The event will be held towards the end of September.
- D) Sustainable CT:** The organization is to help provide guidance to the communities to reach their clean energy goals. This organization is non-binding. There is a point of contact from the organization to the town to work towards meeting renewable energy goals.
- E) Climate Mobilization:** The organization is to have local community to help move or reach national goals for renewable energy. *A motion was made by Chairman Gay, seconded by Reichenbach, to table this topic for the next meeting. Voted 4-0 in favor.*
- F) Speaker Series:** CT Green Burials is willing to come to town to hold a talk for the community, but there is no time set. Senator Needleman will be holding a talk at the library on March 30th.

Public Remarks: None

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Chairman Gay, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk