

ENERGY COMMISSION

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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION
Meeting, Wednesday January 21, 2015
Library, Presidents Room
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Minutes

Members Present: Bruce Hampson - Chairman , Peter Wrampe - Vice Chair , Richard Creeth , Patrice Gillespie , Gil Bray.

Members Absent : Rob Sanders, Glenn Hemmerle

Guests Present : Janna Bertkau , Vice President - Wilton Go Green

1. Chairman Hampson called the Meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
2. Peter Wrampe moved and Gil Bray seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 18, 2014 . The motion was approved unanimously .
3. Wilton Go-Green Report : Jana Bertkau
 - W.G.G. held their annual special Board of Directors Meeting on January 14, 2015 at Marly's Restaurant . Among the invited guests were First Selectman , Bill Brennan ; Bob Wall - CEFIA and Kevin Smith - Superintendent of Schools . Several awards were presented for outstanding contribution to the goal of sustainability in Wilton.
 - Janna announced the showing on January 28 , 2015 at the Congregational Church of the film "Years of Living Dangerously"
 - The W.G.G "Green Business Designation " award has recognized two businesses in Wilton .
4. EPA Benchmarking Program : Richard Creeth reported that CL&P had not provided all the electrical data that was required to complete the Wilton High School profile. Richard believes it should be completed for the next meeting on February 25 . Alex Scaperotta , a WGG member and High School student , who has initiated the CT "Green Leaf " program at the High School is planning to attend the next meeting . The High School energy profile should be completed by then.
5. "Climate Change in the American Mind " : Patrice showed and narrated the Power Point that was presented , as part of the W.G.G. speaker series , in the Library on January 13. A spirited discussion followed.
6. CT Clean Energy Communities Report : Patrice Gillespie reported on the "CT Live Green " Press Conference on January 7 in Fairfield.
 - Richard Creeth's case study of the Wilton High School renovation in 2009 - 2010 , that significantly reduced energy consumption , was recognized and an "Energy Conservation " award was presented to Bill Brennan .

7. Chairman's Report .

- Bill Brennan is in negotiation with Yankee Gas to bring Natural Gas to the Miller Driscoll school in time to be a part of the renovation work. Bruce Hampson was optimistic that it will happen.
- Bruce met with Debra Thompson- Van and reported that she will rejoin the Commission , after being out of the Country for many months.
- Bruce will write a "letter to the Editor" to the print media to invite citizens interested in becoming members of the Commission to come forward. Bruce asked the Commission to suggest the qualifications that we should look for . He mentioned one high on his list - Communication & Web-Site skills. Peter Wrampe volunteered to examine the WEC website and suggest how to improve it.
- Bruce reported that the renovated Miller Driscoll School will be 24.5% more energy efficient than required by the standard CT Building Code and will use 34% Renewable Energy.
- Bill Brennan would welcome , in the near future, a joint presentation to the Board of Selectmen by the Energy Commission and Wilton Go Green to inform the Board , and the Town, of all the many energy & sustainability initiatives and success that they bring to Wilton.

8. Next Meeting : February 25, 2015

9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm

Respectively submitted : Bruce Hampson