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WILTON ENERGY COMMISSION
Meeting: December 18, 2014
Library, Presidents Room
Minutes

Members Present : Bruce Hampson - Chairman; Peter Wrampe - Vice Chair ; Richard Creeth, Patrice Gillespie, Rob Sanders .

Members Absent : Gil Bray , Glenn Hemmerle

Guests Present: Hal Clark , Walter Kress

1. Chairman Hampson called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM
2. Chairman Hampson thanked Hal Clark and Walter Kress for their very valuable and constructive contribution to the Mission of the Energy Commission and to the Town of Wilton.
3. Patrice Gillespie moved and Rich Creeth seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 22, 2014 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.
4. Patrice Gillespie gave the Wilton Go- Green (W.G.G.) report. W.G.G.'s programs and activities continue to expand to promote sustainability in Wilton.
 - A program to recognize Wilton Green Businesses
 - Green Speakers Series at the Library.
 - High School student Alex Scarpetti (Little People - Big Changes) is a new Board Member and is promoting the Green Leaf Schools program.
 - Peg Koellmer has been elected the new President of W.G.G.
 - The Wilton Energy Challenge continues to proceed with referral fees donated to the NRVT.
5. Solarize Wilton Program: The Commission continued to discuss the Solarize Wilton opportunity. Until CEFIA announces the timing and details of the program the WEC cannot take action to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to endorse participation in the next phase.
 - Patrice Gillespie agreed to contact Smart Power, CEFIA's marketing partner, to determine more information.
 - Jana Bertkau, Patrice Gillespie and Bruce Hampson will meet with representative from local towns who have participated in previous Solarize efforts to learn more about their experience.
 - Richard Creeth, Patrice Gillespie and Bruce Hampson agreed to participate, at some level, in the effort.

6. EPA Energy Benchmarking program: Richard Creeth reported that he is having difficulty getting accurate and timely electrical consumption data from C.L&P. Patrice Gillespie and Bruce Hampson will attempt to help.
Richard also distributed a draft "Case Study" he has completed for the CT Live Green program on the successful effort to reduce Energy consumption at the Wilton High School as part of the renovation a few years ago. Richard asked the Commission to review and comment.
7. CT Clean Energy Communities program: Patrice showed the Commission how to access Wilton's data and status in the CT Clean Energy website.
 - Wilton is very close to earning another "Bright Ideas" grant.
 - Wilton has purchased the FY 2015 Renewable Energy Credits required by the program.
8. Patrice Gillespie reported that the CT Live Green program will have a press conference on Wednesday January 6 to introduce the program and high-light the Energy Conservation efforts of Wilton and the Case Study completed by Richard Creeth.
9. Yankee Gas : Bruce Hampson reported that Wilton is in negotiation with Yankee Gas to extend the gas main to the Miller Driscoll School and the Teaching Sisters of Notre Dame facility .
10. Chairman Hampson reported that the Commission is short membership with the departure of Hal Clark and Walter Kress. He will pen a letter in the Bulletin for those interested in becoming a member.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm