

Killingworth Energy Task Force

Special Meeting, April 6, 2016

Town Office Building

7:00 p.m.

Minutes

In attendance: Geoff Cook, Daniel O’Sullivan, Richard Otto, John Sodergren, Cathy lino (ex officio)

Absent: Eric Couture

Visitors: Brian West and Henry Sodergren, Boy Scout Troop 18; Greg West

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2016 meeting schedule. Because Dan O’Sullivan had to leave by 7:30, the task force took up the 2016 meeting schedule first. The group agreed unanimously to schedule future meetings on the second Tuesday of each month: May 10; June 14; July 12; August 9; September 13; October 11; November 8; December 13.

Use of town grants and awards: The town expects to get 7-8 KW of solar voltaic panels as a result of the Solarize Haddam-Killingworth program and previous energy initiatives. After discussing possible locations for the panels, the group determined that the most straightforward use of the panels would be as part of an installation on the town garage. lino will investigate the status of virtual net metering regulations and also the possibility of connecting the garage to the Town Hall via a conduit that the KVFC may be running from its training facility to the Town Hall campus. Cook will speak with George Keithan about the possibility of putting solar panels on the EOC.

Bright ideas grant. The status of this \$5,000 grant is unclear; lino will investigate. Guest Greg West suggested that the easiest, most effective way to use it might be to retrofit town

buildings with LED lighting. Otto will look into the lighting needs of the library and report back.

Clean energy initiatives. Cook raised the possibility of having an electric vehicle charging station in town. There was discussion of installing such a charging station in conjunction with the new bus route. Henry Sodergren suggested that a bus shelter might be a good Eagle Scout project.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.