

Madison Town Energy and Efficiency Committee Madison Town
Campus, May 7, 2019 (rescheduled from April 30, 2019)
MINUTES

Members Present: Woodie Weiss, Chairman, Dick Evarts, Ron Hick, Gary Naegel. Absent: Tracy Juengst, Francis Pullaro, Guy Mannino. Also present Madison resident Suzie Huminski

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Chairman Weiss.

2. Arts Barn PV Project. Woodie said PV at the Arts Barn is now online and we can now see the three town PV systems at the Gym, the town campus and the Arts Barn in the online monitoring system.

3. Library is all set for a 100kW array. Woodie said the plans for this system has to go to the Planning & Zoning Commission and the town's Advisory Committee on Community Appearance (ACCA) for review. Woodie added that the library monitoring system will show the btu's from the earth and he would like to also see the energy used by the heat pumps.

4. Sustainable CT Certified Program. Woodie said that Facilities Director, Bill McMinn approved funding for level 2 audits for the Brown, Polson and Hand schools. Eversource will pay 50% up to \$20,000 dollars for an ASHRAE audit (American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers) Level 2 audit that thoroughly goes through the building from looking at the as-built drawings to building and window insulation, with analysis of what's there and suggestions for improvements and what it will save in the long run.

Section 6. Efficient Physical Infrastructure and Operations •

- 6.1 Benchmark and Track Energy Use •*
- 6.2 Reduce Energy Use Across All Municipal Buildings •*
- 6.3 Achieve High Energy Performance for Individual Buildings •*
- 6.4 Increase Use of Renewable Energy in Municipal Buildings •*
- 6.5 Develop a Municipal Energy Plan •*
- 6.6 Manage Municipal Fleets (Updated for 2019) •*
- 6.7 Install Efficient Street Lights -Completed •*
- 6.8 Implement a Community Energy Campaign*

Woodie asked the committee members what they could help with regarding the Section 6 actions. Guy will handle vehicle fleets, Dick said Community Energy Campaigns, and Tracy said the Municipal Energy Plan.

4a. Portfolio Manager. Woodie said Gary Naegel completed the 101 and 201 courses and will take the 301 course. He said that he, Gary and Tracy will meet about Portfolio Manager.

4b. Dick Evarts on SolSmart municipal PV initiative. (As a program funded by the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Energy Technologies Office, SolSmart's goal is to make it easier, and more affordable to go solar.) Dick said he had a conversation with Emily Bastimoun at SolSmart and they would like to see a municipal flat fee of \$300 for PV permits per installation (currently permit fees are based on the number of panels a PV system will have). Woodie made the comment that if Madison lowered their permit fee and then received points for Sustainable CT program it would be a win-win.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.
Respectfully submitted: Abigail White