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SUSTAINABLE CT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020 7:00 P.M. - VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The April 22, 2020 Sustainable CT Committee meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Sandra Pierog; Energy Committee Representative Richard Dziadul; Conservation Commission Rep. Rod Parlee; Planning & Zoning Commission Rep. Arlene Fiano; Board of Education Rep. Anne Decker; At-Large Members Stanley Staron, Kitty Tyrol, Alyssa McDonnell, and Jennifer Cyr; Director of Community Development Patrice Carson; and Administrator Joshua Steele Kelly.

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the public Jane Loda and Alexa Loda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approval of the March 25, 2020 meeting minutes.

DISCUSSION: None.

CONSENSUS was reached to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2020 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Discussion on Sustainable CT Action Items.

DISCUSSION: Carson began the meeting by giving an update of the work that she has done to compile various application components together in preparation for the April 28, 2020 filing. She stressed the need for members of the committee to submit items to her for inclusion with the final application to Sustainable CT.

Members asked several questions of Patrice about the process and the items to be submitted. Kelly shared the fact that the Board of Selectmen had approved the town's participation in the C-PACE program offered through the Connecticut Green Bank, and Pierog added that she is aware of a company that is already interested in making use of the C-PACE program. Parlee inquired about the nature of the company's interest in solar and the impacts that their project may have.

Kelly asked Carson what more the committee could do on the call to further Sustainable CT actions for the upcoming filing. Carson stated that she has contacted many individual members of the committee for help getting backup documentation for the submission sections, and that she still has a few messages to go out. It was noted that Kelly and Pierog have information

about the February Freedom of Information meeting. McDonnell inquired about her work on action 2.7, and she and Carson conversed on how to best further McDonnell's work in that area. McDonnell agreed she would have a set of materials submitted to Carson by Friday the 24th.


Carson asked Staron how he was progressing with his tasks, to which he responded that he had a little more work to do on them. Dziadul added that the work the Board of Selectmen has done to further the Energy Committee's recommendation on installing solar panels at Bolton High School may be worth as many as 30 points alone. Pierog noted that the Green Bank had created a calculator for Bolton that may fill the requirements of actions in section 6. Dziadul asked when information about the energy benchmarks is due to Carson to cover action 6.1, and Carson noted that as much information is needed before April 28th as possible. Dziadul and Carson discussed the format of the energy benchmarks, and McDonnell noted that the benchmarks may be easily convertible from Excel to EnergyStar's portfolio manager. He stated that he would aim to have the 2017, 2018, and 2019 benchmarks completed.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Set the next meeting date.

DISCUSSION: Pierog concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for their hard work and setting the next meeting date for Wednesday, May 27th, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Steele Kelly', written in a cursive style.

Joshua Steele Kelly, Administrator

See minutes of subsequent meetings for approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.