Hampton Green Energy Committee Hampton, Connecticut Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 7, 2010 7:00 PM

1. Call to order

There was no quorum, but discussion occurred beginning at 7:10 p.m. Committee members in attendance: Roger Dionne; Maryellen Donnelly; Kate Donnelly, ex officio, First Selectman; Frank Russell.

- 2. Audience for Citizens: none.
- **3. Additions to the Agenda:** none.
- 4. Approval of Minutes of 2/17/2010, 3/3/10 and 3/17/10. Quorum not present.
- 5. Budget Line Item Status

Committee and Representative Reports/Recommendations:

- a. Baseline Data No report
- **b. Questionnaire status** Answers are still being collected.

c. Electricity contract

Kate Donnelly reported that Hampton has joined with Coventry to request proposals from electric suppliers in order to determine if discounts can be realized.

d. Town Clean Energy Sign up

The Connecticut Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) reports that 38 Hampton households signed up for the CT Clean Energy Options Program as of December 2009. The CCEF website does not reflect households that signed up since then.

e. School reports

HGEC members Roger Dionne and Kate Donnelly attended the Hampton Elementary School (HES) Science Fair to distribute information about the CT Clean Energy Options Program.

6. 20% by 2010 Promotion- sign ups, brochure, Earth week, grant

Frank Russell will staff a table at the Hampton Recreation Commission's clean up day to promote sign ups for the CT Clean Energy Options Program. The HES Eco club will be participating in the clean up day.

Ev Hyde will be at the Earth Day Community Center concert to promote sign ups for the CT Clean Energy Options Program.

Maryellen Donnelly distributed a brochure made for the HES Science Fair explaining the CT Clean Energy Options Program as well as the CCEF sign up form. Copies will be made for future events. Maryellen Donnelly will prepare a draft of an article for the Gazette.

The CCEF granted the HGEC \$4,000 (distributed in two \$2,000 installments).

Motion: Maryellen Donnelly moved that the HGEC use the CCEF \$2000 grant to promote sign ups for the CT Clean Energy Options Program. John Bernard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The HGEC discussed the following uses for the initial \$2,000:

a. A contest within the school for a design of a logo for Hampton Green Energy with a prize of a solar/wind up radio

b. A field trip for Hampton residents who sign up for the CT Clean Energy Options Program to the Science Museum

- c. Pre-purchasing energy saving light bulbs at a discount
- d. An alternative/green energy educational fair

e. Incentives for youth groups (4-H, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Hampton Elementary School Eco Club) to participate in the CT Clean Energy Options Program.

7. Last Green Valley Grant

Paul Wakely wrote a proposal for a grant from to The Last Green Valley for the funding of a solar thermal system to be used at HES. The Board of Education indicated their support and Selectwoman Donnelly submitted the proposal.

8. Town Wide Survey for energy audit interest The offer for a \$25 energy audit through CCEF ended March 31. The cost has returned to \$75.

- 9. Old Business: Bill Leahy due for inspection visit in May. It is expected that the energy audits will be completed during May.
- **10.** Audience for citizens: none.

Next agenda planning. Our next meeting will be held May 5 at 7 pm.

Approval of minutes 2/17/10, 3/3/10, 3/17/10. HGEC Minutes 4/7/10 Progress on sign ups for the CT Clean Energy Options Program Results from questionnaire regarding alternative energy systems in Hampton Hampton Green Energy logo contest entries Audits Proposals from electric suppliers to Coventry/Hampton The Last Green Valley Grant Pre-purchase of energy saving bulbs Suggested change of monthly meeting date (possibly to third Wednesday of the month)

12. Adjournment: Bob Marsh moved, John Berard seconded, to adjourn at 8:58. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryellen Donnelly Secretary