

HAMDEN ENERGY USE & CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION

(via Zoom/Telephonically)
**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Hamden Energy Use and Climate Change Commission took place on Monday, July 13, via Zoom/telephonically.

Attending: Lawrence Rosenthal, chair; Alison DeMaio; David Cooper; Susan Kulis; Martin Mador; Brendan Smith; and Kathleen Schomaker, Energy Efficiency Coordinator. **Also in attendance:** Beva Nall-Langdon, David Tanner, Paul Vosper, and Patrice LeMoine, Clerk for the Commission.

Call to Order: Mr. Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Roll Call was held, and it was noted that a quorum was present. Mr. Rosenthal established the procedures for running the meeting via Zoom.

Mr. Rosenthal noted Christine Crowder has stepped down from serving on the commission. He welcomed our guests from Juice Bar who will speak this evening.

Approval of minutes of the January meeting: Mr. Rosenthal requested a **motion** to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Mr. Mador motioned to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2020 meeting as amended. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public comment of agenda items:

Energy Efficiency Coordinator's Report: Ms. Schomaker noted the electric vehicle study is entering its final draft and will then be forwarded for final approval.

She added that the UI street lights project is going forward and will be presented to the legislative council on July 20 for approval.

Ms. Schomaker introduced Juice Bar's CEO, Paul Vosper and Chief Product Officer, David Tanner regarding electrical charging and clean energy technology.

Mr. Vosper provided information for electric vehicle programs and the rapid changes that are happening. The growth and expansion of manufacturers is moving toward building fleets of vehicles to electric charging and technology.

Mr. Tanner presented the EV Charging infrastructure deployment. He provided a presentation, focusing on charging basics and advanced topics; including AC charging; and DC charging.

He gave an overview of the various electric vehicle charging system and the future use of various vehicles for both consumer and commercial use. He noted that the development of the EV programs and the expansion of the use are becoming more of a reality.

Mr. Tanner provided a summary of the energy software through solar energy. He gave a description of the solar software program, with the pros and cons of the system. The software has been linked and charges to the cloud.

Ms. Schomaker noted the VW Foundation will soon have a grant available offering funds for Hamden to apply for so the town can have funding for EVs. We will need to set up the logistics for this program, bringing in United Illuminating Company and planning and zoning. We need to identify communities, shopping centers and developments in town and those vehicles in town that can benefit to go electric. This is a more safer and efficient way for vehicles in town, i.e., police vehicles and plows, etc. An example is First Student has applied for grant funds for EV buses.

Mr. Rosenthal requested a way of going forward with a communication with Juice Bar. Mr. Vosper welcomed another meeting with the EUCC commission.

Messrs. Vosper and Tanner invited everyone to attend an upcoming energy webinar and provided the link for everyone to register.

Ms. Schomaker thanked both Messrs. Tanner and Vosper for their time and presentation this evening. They then offered to everyone a question and answer session.

At 8:45 pm. Ms. Schomaker withdrew from the meeting.

Mr. Rosenthal said we will put together our readiness task force and will be in touch with Mr. Vosper again soon. Mr. Smith agreed we have several questions and perhaps we can put everyone's questions into one document.

Election of Officers: Mr. Rosenthal removed this item from the agenda. This was due to the fact that he and Mr. Smith's terms have not expired, and they are to serve for one more year as chair and vice-chair.

New Business: The mayor will be presenting his recommendation for Henry Dynia to be appointed to the commission to the legislative council. This is expected to be held at the July 20 meeting.

Old Business: nothing to present.

Adjournment:

Mr. Rosenthal requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Smith motioned to adjourn at 9:09 p.m. and was seconded by Ms. Kulis. The motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: August 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

s/ Patrice A. LeMoine

Clerk for the Hamden Energy Use and
Climate Change Commission