

# Energy Use & Climate Change Commission

Monday, July 12th, 2021 7pm

## Attendance

### Commission Members

Lawrence Rosenthal – *Chair* Brendan Smith- *Vice Chair*  
Alison Demaio, Henry Dynia, Martin Mador, Susan Kulis

### Others in Attendance

Bob Langdon  
Beva Nall-Langdon  
Ryan Keeler – *Commission Clerk*

## Agenda

### Call to Order

Mr. Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

### Approval of June 14th, 2021 Minutes

Minutes of June 14th, 2021 were amended by Mr. Rosenthal and Mr. Smith to specify bicycle community application deadlines on Section 4 of Complete Streets. The changes were approved by the commission and will be reflected on the official minutes.

### Public Comment of Agenda Items

There were no public comments

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### NDEW Event 9/25 Final Review - Beva and Bob Langdon

National Drive Electric Week(NDEW) Event will take place on Saturday, September 25th, 2021. Beva Langdon informed the commission that 10 EV models will be displayed, E-bikes and E-mopeds will also be displayed. Bob Langdon ran a slideshow showcasing the itinerary of the event and explaining in greater detail. The event will take place in the Hamden Library parking lot to the right side upon entering. EV owners and dealers asked to arrive 11-11:30am. Event will begin at 12pm. Staff will direct visitor traffic and run an information table to distribute materials and answer questions. Event will end at 3pm. There may be the possibility of test drives and/or rides. Mr. Dynia recommended a large sign instead of using staff to direct parking. Commission Clerk Ryan Keeler asked for materials to advertise event at Miller Memorial Library.

## MEPG submittal to Council - Review & Comments

This topic was addressed under section 5 of the Energy Efficiency Coordinator Report

### Energy Efficiency Coordinator Report – Kathleen Schomaker

\*Ms Schomaker was unable to attend. Updates were provided by Mr Rosenthal and Mr Smith

#### 1. Streetlighting Status & Schedule

Nothing new to share

#### 2. Electric School Bus On-Site Discussion & Bus Ride

Mr. Rosenthal said the bus was similar to a regular bus other than engine being electric. Bus price range from \$60k-\$250k. Manufacturer of the bus is Lion Electric and the return on Investment for municipality is 6-7 years on the electric school buses.

#### 3. Points for Discussion on next steps for Town of Hamden/First Student

Nothing new to share

#### 4. Filing Status for Sustainable CT

Mr. Rosenthal mentioned July 31st submittal deadline. Hamden is applying for silver certification.

#### 5. MEPG(Municipal Energy Planning Guide)

Mr. Rosenthal announced that the MEPG has been added to the POCD. Mr. Smith announced that the legislative council meeting has moved the MEPG forward to the larger legislative council session and it looks promising. Mr. Rosenthal shared that the Mayor has endorsed to EUCC to apply for state and federal grants pertaining to the MEPG. A discussion on the timeframe goal of 2050 being expedited to the 2030s ensued.

## Old Business

#### 1. Additional Points for MEPG Filing to Sustainable CT

#### 2. Discussion on Bicycle Friendly Community

## Adjournments

Mr. Rosenthal asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was put forth by Ms. Kulis and seconded by Ms. Demaio. The meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

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