



APPROVED MINUTES – January 20, 2020

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Status	Name	Affiliation	Present
Hartford Business Representative, Chair	Rich Shaw	Hartford Steam Company	Yes
Hartford Business Representative, Vice Chair	Sebastian Lombardi	Day Pitney	Yes
Hartford Elector, Secretary	Thomas Swarr	Resident	Yes
Hartford Elector	Kerrice Reynolds	Resident	Yes
Hartford Elector	[Empty Seat]		
Hartford Business Representative	[Empty Seat]		
Ex-Officio	Claudio Bazzano	Board of Education (Designee)	Yes
Ex-Officio	I Charles Matthews Paul Bengtson	Development Services	--- Yes
Ex-Officio	Mike Looney	Public Works	No
Non-Voting Board Member	Frank Dellaripa	Public Works, City Engineer	Yes
Non-Voting Board Member	Maly Rosado David Grant	City Council President (Designee)	--- No
Non-Voting Board Member	Shubhada Kambli Grace Yi	Mayor’s Office (Designee)	Yes Yes
Non-Voting Board Member	[Empty Seat]	Eversource (Electric Utility)	
City Staff	Kristina Catterfeld	Public Works	No
City Staff	James Del Visco	Corporation Counsel	Yes

- I. **Roll Call** – Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM.
 - A. **Other Attendees**- Drew Kukucka(DEEP), Jeff Pipeling (C-TEC).

- II. **Administrative Matters** –Meeting minutes for May, 2020 (unofficial notes, no business conducted because there was not a quorum) and October, 2020 were approved unanimously.

- III. **Meeting Topics**
 - A. **Solar Project**
 Jeff Pipeling provided an update on the landfill project. The project was not selected in the last round of LREC/ZREC bids. C-TEC is proceeding with the permitting process. They have started pre- application process with DEEP and the application with CT Siting Council. The project will depend on the legislature raising the VNM cap during this

session, and the industry expects that to happen. C-TEC is moving forward with permitting process to better understand any specific requirement that might be imposed (and cost implications) by DEEP to protect the landfill so they can tighten up their numbers to make their submittal in next round of LREC/ZREC bids as competitive as possible. Their intent is also to be ready to go when VNM/ LREC approvals happen to expedite construction.

Jeff also discussed a letter being submitted to PURA to enable rollover of unused VNM funds. He will be looking for support when that issue comes up for review. There was some discussion about whether the support letter should come from EID Board or the City. It was agreed that since the VNM application benefits the City, it should be the signatory. In case there was any problem/ delay getting the City to sign on, it was agreed to circulate the petition to board members for their review and vote at the February board meeting.

B. Office of Sustainability Update

Grace Yi reported that the City is in the process of hiring an energy specialist. One of the duties will be to support the EID as well as other energy initiatives.

The Office of Sustainability is working with the Mayor's Office to recruit addition board members for the EID.

C. EID Goals and New Projects

Rich S. raised the idea of a potential CHP project located on city property at corner of Ledyard St. & Elliott St. E. Rich was concerned there would be a perceived conflict of interest with his position at Hartford Steam and whether the board felt they had the capacity to take on an additional project. It was agreed there was no conflict in exploring the feasibility of CHP projects under the EID umbrella. It was also suggested that if the board took an incremental approach, as was done with the solar project, an initial RFI could tap interested bidders to help flesh out such a project and minimize the burden on board members. However, it was also agreed that further recruitment to expand board membership was warranted to help build capacity for more projects.

It was also agreed to review the EID Comprehensive Plan and ACEEE rankings of other cities to help develop new goals. Tom S. will post documents on MeetingInfo so that all board members can review for discussion of goals at next meeting.

IV. New Business

A. CWF Letter of Support

Tom S. noted that the Clean water Fund had asked EID Board to sign on to letter of support to help fund their efforts to coordinate outreach to town energy task forces. Not all board members had seen the letter, so it was agreed to circulate that as well for review and consideration at February meeting.

V. Adjournment – Tom S. made a motion to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Sebastian L. Meeting adjourned at 3:43 PM.

VI. Next Meeting: February 17, 2021