

AGENDA
CHESHIRE ENERGY COMMISSION
MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2014, 7:00 PM
ROOM 210, TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. January 27, 2014 - Regular Meeting
- B. February 24, 2014 – No quorum; no meeting

V. COMMUNICATIONS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Energy Efficiency Projects
 - 1. Town-wide ESPC project – status of Ameresco contract, financing
 - 2. \$10K Bright Idea Grant – to be used for energy-saving projects; best use of funds; ceremony at the State Capitol on 3/24
 - 3. Street lighting – LED conversion project
- B. Benchmarking
 - 1. Energy Star Portfolio Manager – Ameresco to update database when ESPC contract is signed
- C. Publicity/Education/Outreach
 - 1. News articles and letters to the editor
 - 2. Outstanding Energy Achiever award
- D. Clean Energy
 - 1. 20% by 2018
 - 2. Solarize Cheshire – workshops on February 24th, March 25th; last mailer 3/11; results to date
 - 3. Nearly 2,800 Connecticut homes have gone solar since CEFIA launched the Residential Solar Incentive Program in 2012
 - 4. Napoli Foods installing an 860 kW solar system
- E. PBC Projects
- F. Grants, Rebates, & Utility Programs
 - 1. Early involvement of CL&P and YGS in all town building projects – Energy Blueprint
- G. CL&P Energy Reliability Program
- H. Next Step Living
- I. Microgrid Grant and Loan Program - Round 2; Public Act 12-148 Section 7; Wesleyan University is the first microgrid project to come online under the inaugural round of Connecticut's statewide microgrid pilot program.
- J. Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations – new municipal incentive program

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Use of Facebook by town boards/commissions
- B. Alternate electricity supplier rate hikes
- C. Act Concerning Shared Clean Energy Facilities - passed the Energy Committee; calls for a limited pilot program that would allow consumers in two communities to subscribe to local, off-site renewable energy projects and receive a utility bill credit for their portion of the energy produced
- D. CEFIA C-PACE webinar on 3/27 – opt in; outreach
- E. CEC meeting will be taped and televised on 6/30/14