



**Sustainable Fairfield Task Force  
June 12, 2019 7:00pm – 8:30pm  
Sullivan Independence Hall, 1st Floor Conference Room**

**Minutes**

Members in attendance: Larry Kaley, Jim Marren, Shawn Sullivan, Rabab Syed, Kiersten Chou, Ron Blumenfeld, Bob Wall, Jim Motavalli, Mary Hogue

Public attendees: Ioanna Karageorge, Abbie Winter, Laurie Scala

Reports: Minutes, Treasurer, Membership

Treasure: \$8313.97 (FEDC account has been merged with SFTF account).

2019 Action Plan Updates

1) Planning

a) Sust Plan Update – Scott

Scott will follow-up with Mr. Tetreau.

b) POCD Update – Mary

Discussed idea of increasing public input in planning process. Try to promote public engagement milestones.

c) Integrate with Strategic Plan – Mary

Further coordination with POCD is needed.

d) Clean Energy Action Plan Update – Scott

Bob Wall has followed up with Amy Thompson on energy tracking.

2) Clean Energy

a) ConnectSun (DER) Pilot – Bob

Three workshops scheduled. Next one is June 19, 5:30-6:30 @ Pequot Library. Larry or Ron may be able to attend. Other workshops are July 17 & Sept 19.

b) Municipal Solar Projects – Scott

- BOS vote on Burr Carport June 19, 2019

Scott will followup with Mr. Tymniak to see if he has had a chance to visit the site.

c) EV Charging Infrastructure – Bob/Daphne

Clean Cities study – UI has asked Clean Cities to perform a study. Outline of study was circulated. Discussed need for fast charging in Town as well as making charging accessible to people that don't own a home. Target completion date for Draft Clean Cities Report is first week in August.

d) EVs for Town Fleet

Julie Nojeim (intern) is working on a revised analysis.



### 3) Food & Waste

#### a) Composting pilot – Becky

SFTF will promote commercial service(s) for composting pickup. Mary is planning to schedule compost workshop.

#### b) SMART program evaluation – Bob

Solid Waste and Recycling Commission is creating a subcommittee to evaluate the program.

#### c) Reusable Bag Ordinance – Daphne

Passed, plastic bags banned, no fee on paper. State will have fee on plastic bags for 2 years, then plastic bags will be banned.

#### d) Recycling / Waste FAQs – Becky

No update. Related, Town agreed to do approve two curbside mattress pickups by Park City Green on Wed June 26 and Sat June 29.

### 4) Education & Outreach

#### a) Quarterly outreach around food – Kiersten, Jim

Press release related to Farmer's markets went out last month. Farmer's market starting June 16. EVs have been permitted to be displayed.

#### b) Weekly green tip – Mary

No update. Tabling at July 20 sidewalk sale.

#### c) Monthly news item – Jim

POCD news item.

#### d) Facebook page – Rabab

Lots of posts. Burr posting to go out tomorrow. Farmer's market & EVs posting too.

#### e) Sust Plan Outreach – Scott

Planning outreach event this fall.

#### f) Green Wheels Expo – September 14, 10am-2pm, Fairprene lot

Rabab will send our comments to Becky to finalize flyer. LiveGreen is working on promotion.

### Other Updates / New Business

#### 1) Sustainable Fairfield County update – Daphne

Last meeting discussed shared solar and community choice aggregation.

#### 2) FEDC update – Mary

Great event at YMCA was held in April.

#### 3) Trinity Solar Sustainability Initiative – Laurie Scala

Partnering with non-profits & charities, awarding \$100 for solar leads and \$1000 for solar sales. Operation Hope, Special Olympics, YMCA, churches, etc.



4) CT Offshore Wind legislation – Scott  
2000 MW will be purchased by CT. Net meeting extended.

5) Other Updates or New Business  
Outreach from Westport Green Task Force.  
Thru Forestry committee, Town has become a pollinator pathway Town. Will prompt numerous pollinator gardens.

Next Subcommittee Working Group – Friday, June 28, 8:15–9:30am

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, July 10, 7:00-8:30pm