

WINDHAM ENERGY COMMISSION

Notes of discussion for Monday, June 27, 2016

Windham Town Hall, 2nd floor Meeting Room, 979 Main Street, Willimantic, CT

Voting Members Present: Jean de Smet, Richard Bloomer, and Tom Markland. **Voting Members Absent:** Chris Mezzarone, and Grace Adams **Voting Members Excused:** Elizabeth Ostwald. **Guests Present:** None **Staff Present:** Dagmar Noll, Clerk **Public Present:** None

1. **Call to order** *There was no quorum* - but discussion began at approximately 6:12 PM
2. **Citizens & Delegations** None.
3. **Acceptance of Minutes of June 11, 2016** - postponed
4. Update and possible recommendations re: Virtual Net Metering proposal from CTEC Solar
5. **Recommendation on Virtual NET Metering**

Discussion ensued relating to Virtual Net Metering. Jean de Smet will confirm answers on what the Town is currently paying for electricity; what our all0in rate is; how many megawatts the Town is currently using, and whether or not 11 cents/kilowatt hour is a good price before the next meeting so the Energy Commission can make a recommendation to the Town Council.

Jean de Smet noted, that the Town budget for Energy Efficiency was cut \$160,000 for FY 2017. The Town reportedly still has \$265,000 in the Energy Efficiency Fund.

Historically, the Energy Commission hasn't had any input into how the Energy Efficiency Fund is used. Discussion ensued about setting up a municipal utility. R. Bloomer will look into area municipal utilities.

Someone asked who owns the parking lot behind the Town Hall (formerly AT&T - now Frontier Communications).

6. **Update Streetlight RFP** Discussion also ensued about the current allocation for HVAC system and the Streetlight audit, and what the Town should do with the remainder of the funds.
7. **MPG evaluations at Windham Public Works, Schools**

T. Markland reported that the Public Works Department is doing well maintaining their fleet of conventional vehicles.
5. **Adjournment** Members present ended discussion at approximately 7:05pm