

ENHANCED ENERGY PLANNING WORKING GROUP

NORWICH ENERGY COMMITTEE NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 17, 2018, Tracy Hall

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Jaci Allen (PC) [arrived 7:15], Linda Gray (NEC Chair), Aaron Lamperti (NEC)

Clerk: Linda Gray **Staff:** Rod Francis, Norwich Planning Director

Others/Guests: Linda Cook

Linda Gray, of the Norwich Energy Commission, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

1. **Agenda Approved by those Present**
2. **Comments from the Public** - None
3. **Minutes** – Approval of Minutes from the regular meeting of 6/5/18 were postponed until the next regular meeting
4. **Announcements, Reports, Updates & Correspondence**
 - a. Linda Gray proposed that the working group meet with the Thetford and Strafford people who are also working on Enhanced Energy Planning; a date for a joint meeting will be proposed.
5. **Review draft revision/outline of the current Energy Chapter, re structure, clarity for lay readers, meeting the standards of Act 174 checklist (including Data analysis/targets and Pathways on Land Use, Transportation, Conservation/Efficiency, and Renewable Development/Siting).**
 - a. An initial version of a new Energy Chapter, drafted by Aaron Lamperti, was reviewed. Discussion included:
 - i. support for the proposed graphic element to identify items that meet the Act 174 standards, and the idea of including case studies
 - ii. The suggestion to model the Town Energy Chapter on the Regional Energy Plan (find it at <http://www.trorc.org/programs/energy/regional-energy-plan/>)
 - iii. Planning Director Rod Francis will confirm with TRORC staff about what they will require in the Town Energy Chapter and the sequence/timing of further actionAaron will continue to rework and add to the draft, for the next regular meeting (9/4).
 - b. There was also discussion of planning for future public discussion of energy planning. Video of the Hartford forum held in late June is available at: <http://catv.cablecast.tv/CablecastPublicSite/show/7463?channel=1>
6. **Other Business** – None
7. **Future Meeting Schedule & Agenda Items**
 - a. TBD, joint meeting with working groups from Thetford and Strafford
 - b. . Tuesday, September 4, 2018 – Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM
 - i. Continued review of Act 174 Checklist and the current Town Plan

8. Comments from the Public - None

Adjournment: 8:50 PM

Linda Gray

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TBD – Joint Meeting with working groups from Thetford and Strafford
Tuesday, September 4, 2018 – Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM

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