

Minutes  
**Joint Green Efforts Committee**  
January 6, 2015  
Town Hall Council Chambers  
6:30 p.m.

**Present:**

**In attendance:**

John Vibert, Chair	Erica Robertson, Assistant Town Manager
Cate Grady-Benson	Liz Dolphin, Assistant Town Planner
Katy Perry	Betty DaCruz – Resident (non –voting)
John Hinze	

- A. Call to Order.  
The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm
- B. Public Comment.  
None
- C. To Approve the Following Minutes.  
The Green Efforts Committee meeting dated December 2, 2014 was approved unanimously (Hinze/Perry).
- D. Old Business.
  - 1. Discuss potential 2015 initiatives
    - i. Finalize initiative list from last meeting  
The committee decided to focus on the following initiatives for 2015:
      - 1. Home Energy Initiatives Solutions - the group will begin an RFP process to select a preferred Town of Farmington provider.
      - 2. Annual Clean Up Day – This will be the main initiative for the next few months. The group would like to start a speaking town for the Clean Up day to engage groups like Rotary, Exchange Club and the Chamber of Commerce. Strategies to engage businesses were also discussed.
      - 3. Bring Your Own Bag Education Campaign- Staff will review budget accounts to determine if there are any funds available to purchase reusable bags as a give-away at Green Efforts events such as the Clean Up Day and tabling at the Unionville Festival.
      - 4. C-Pace – Will work with the Economic Development Director to assist her efforts with the C-Pace program.
      - 5. Clean Energy Communities Program – Staff will continue to review and implement tasks to get percentages needed for the clean energy pledge, as well as points for more grants. Staff will

also inquire on the evaluation process for placing our free solar panels on Town buildings.

6. Power Purchase Agreements- The group would like to look more closely at this option for putting solar on municipal and school buildings.

7. Social Media Enhancements – Katy Perry offered to increase out posts on the Facebook page. She will also work with the schools to get more information into the Friday folders.

ii. Clean Up Day planning – bring your list of organizations and contacts  
As discussed above.

iii. Clean Energy Communities Program – review list of ways to earn more points.

The list was reviewed. Staff will continue to implement when appropriate. Some of the committee’s initiatives will earn points.

E. New Business.

Appointments to committee – appointments are on the January 13, 2015 Town Council meeting agenda.

F. Other Business.

Meeting schedule – the 2015 meeting schedule that was posted with the Town clerk was discussed. The committee will meet the first Tuesday of the month.

G. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm (Hinze/Grady-Benson).

cc: Paula Ray, Town Clerk to post  
Deb Bull – by e-mail for the Web  
Joseph Swetcky, Finance Director  
Kathy Greider, Superintendent of Schools  
Mary Grace Reed, Board of Education  
Mary Paganini, Administrative Assistant