MINUTES ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE September 14, 2015 – 4:30 P.M. TOWN HALL ANNEX – COMMUNITY ROOM 1

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Syma Ebbin, Jeff Hollingsworth, Len Mediavilla, Mark Oefinger, Bob

Ouevreaux, Rita Schmidt, Jon Reiner, Gary Schneider, John Sutherland

Excused: Sam Kilpatrick, Zell Steever

Staff: Rick Norris

Schmidt called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of meeting of August 10, 2015.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the August 10, 2015 meeting.

Motion made by Sutherland, seconded by Ebin. Motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Potential Pfizer Tour Tour of Pfizer confirmed for October 5th at 5:00pm by Mr. Quevreaux. He will provide further instructions prior to tour. Tour will cover who is Pfizer today, energy conservation efforts, and resource building tour.
- 2. Sustainability Division Norris informed the Committee that the Grant Writers position is closing September 18th. RFP for LED streetlights is being prepared.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Pledge – Samantha Sojka from Eversource discussed the Clean Energy Communities Municipal Pledge where communities pledge to reduce energy use for municipal facilities by 20% by 2018. She discussed efforts in residential and commercial clean energy and how they could help with community outreach.

MOTION TO: Committee recommends pledge be forwarded to Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Sutherland, seconded by Hollingsworth. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Town Council Resolution for Conversion of Streetlights to LED – Norris reported that the Town Council approved that Public Works request proposals from three companies for streetlight conversion to LED vetted by CCM and for

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the Town owned lights. It also approved the Town Manager to pursue purchasing the streetlights in the Groton Utilities are of service from them.

VI. REPORT OF STAFF

Norris to attend Climate Change and Sustainability presentation at the Middlesex Community College.

Town Manager suggested that we tour Subase again to keep abreast of what others are doing to conserve energy.

Mediavilla stated that they are expecting approval for their solar installation by the reservoir soon.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Prepared by Rick Norris Sustainability Program Manager