



## **ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SUBCOMMITTEE**

### **Weston Building Committee**

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 25, 2009

Present: Allen Swerdlowe (Chair. of the Sub-Committee), Bill Rappoport, Don Gary, Richard Wolf, Jack Davidoff, Lincoln Briggs; Joe Fitzpatrick, Chair. of the Building Committee; Global Warming Committee: Martin Strasmore; Margaret Wirtenberg, Acting Sec'y, and Frank Wolak, FuelCell Energy of Danbury.

The meeting came to order at 7:30p.m. in the Commission Room at Town Hall. Minutes of February 11, 2009 were approved (Gary, Briggs).

Mr. Frank Wolak of FuelCell Energy of Danbury reported on his firm's three types (sizes) of fuel cells. One of these is a 300kW version suitable to Weston's needs, based upon the report prepared by CCAT for this Subcommittee several weeks ago.

Members of the Subcommittee have reviewed work so far and are in discussion with the State of CT as well as companies in the field to determine Weston's possible next steps.

Mr. Wolak referred the Subcommittee to his firm's website: <http://www.fuelcellenergy.com/>

Discussed were various aspects of fuel cells and how this version works, payback, total cost of a project for Weston, and whether FuelCell Energy would submit a proforma model of how their product might work here. After a lengthy discussion, the Subcommittee thanked Mr. Wolak and moved on to the next part of their agenda.

The next steps the Subcommittee should take were then discussed.

Monday, March 9, 2009 at 7:30pm was selected as the next date for a meeting to discuss alternative energy for Weston. The location was to be determined. **Please note that AES has reserved the basement meeting room at Town Hall for this meeting.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Wirtenberg, Acting Sec'y