

Efficient Transportation Working Group

Meeting Minutes 12/12/19

Present: Caron, Hecimovich, McGirr, Hanley, Farrell, Kritzer, Petersen, Huminski, Dollak, Norton

Phone: Loo, Normandie, Kevin (Eversource)

Steve McGirr opened meeting stating that the EV working group was one of only 2 that met deadline for submission of our report to DEEP.

Group is awaiting information regarding applying for grant money from VW settlement.

Phase II of the VW settlement grants began on 25 Nov, \$12 million was distributed during the first round of grant funding.

DEEP is in discussions to determine the best way to fund EV projects consistent with the approved mitigation plan.

A couple of EVSE projects have been funded with VW funds.

State EV infrastructure projects open to the public can be funded at a maximum of 100%, those not open to the public (DOT Pilot study) can only receive funding to a maximum of 60%.

DAS has 2 EV charging stations being constructed, one in Wethersfield, and one on Morgan Street in Hartford. The cost for the Wethersfield project is \$12,500 total.

GPS has been installed in some DAS vehicles and will help determine good candidate vehicles to convert to EV. There should be a total of 40 vehicles with GPS in the future.

The DOT Pilot project will be 2 phase, acquire 10 Chevy Bolts to replace light duty cars. This will cost \$450 over the cost of ICE vehicles or \$45 more per vehicle.

In years 7,8,9 there will be an estimated savings of 1K a month for the 10 vehicles calculating all costs.

\$120K is needed for the DOT pilot project, initially 3 dual headed chargers will be installed, excavation taking place now. Project could be built out to accommodate 20 vehicles.

Paul Farrell was interested in when GPS data would be available, to which Steve McGirr answered it will take 60-90 days to gather data and though it won't be generally released the group would be able to see the data.

The Education subgroup is waiting for education materials to be produced.

The likely method of releasing the EV Survey will be Survey Monkey.

Some future meetings with Fleet managers will need to be planned.

Andrew asked about the feasibility of mobile charging stations but the answer was that though they exist we most likely will not be looking at them right now.

Steve McGirr had a discussion with the property and leasing subgroup but indicated that presently we will not be installing infrastructure on leased property.

No infrastructure team report.

Suggestion was made to lobby legislature to come up with enforcement actions to deal with Icing of EV parking spots.

Paul Kritzler mentioned that there are private companies who have effective EV parking SOP's and rather than re-invent the wheel we look towards those.

Jan 10 report due out – Full DOT pilot project update.

BAU list and education materials

Legislative proposal for enforcement of Icing parking issues (if desired)

Rick Hanley believes it is imperative to nail down a fund source for the DOT pilot project beyond the VW settlement.

Meeting adjourned.