

# Medway Energy Committee

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**Meeting Minutes: May 15, 2013** Medway High School, 138-3

Approved: June 19, 2013

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by Chair Shelley Wieler at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was attended by MEC members as shown below, Dan Hooper: Solarize Medway Coach, Suzy Affleck-Childs, and Edward Whitaker: invited guest from 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Energy

| <b>Attendees:</b> | 9/19/12 | 10/17/12 | 11/28/12 | 1/16/13 | 2/13/12 | 3/20/12 | 4/17/12 | 5/15/12 | 6/19/12 |
|-------------------|---------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Shelley Wieler    | X       | X        | X        | X       | X       | no      | X       | X       |         |
| Diane Borgatti    |         | X        |          | X       | X       | meeting | X       | X       |         |
| Dave Brownell     | X       | X        | X        | X       | X       |         | X       | X       |         |
| Peter Cooper      | X       | X        | X        | X       |         |         | X       | X       |         |
| Charlie Myers     | X       | X        | X        | X       | X       |         | X       | X       |         |
| Robert Tucker     | X       | X        | X        | X       |         |         |         | X       |         |
| John Foresto      | X       |          | X        | X       | X       |         | X       | X       |         |

#### **Meeting Minutes:**

A motion to approve the February 2013 minutes was moved by Charlie Myers and seconded by Diane Borgati A motion to approve amended (as discussed) April 2013 minutes was moved by Charlie Myers and seconded by Diane Borgati.

**Discussion: Solarize Mass:** Suzy Affleck-Childs summarized by advising that the vendor selection team which included herself, Dan Hooper and Steve Maliniak together with DOER and CEC reps reviewed submissions from 8 vendors, and interviewed 3 vendors intensely. 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Energy was the first choice of Medway's selection team There will be a kickoff "Meet the Installer Night" on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Suzy also presented a Solarize Mass banner for Medway Pride Day on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Energy: Edward Whitaker came to the meeting to discuss what has been a very quick process to teaming up with Medway which was a first choice for them. There were questions from the committee regarding monitoring which were answered. We will be supplied with collateral documentation for town/residents interested as well as demonstrations

**Discussion Pride Day:** Shelley asked if there were any volunteers available for Pride Day to work with the Solarize team since there will be no Energy Committee table. Dave Brownell volunteered to be available as well as Dan Hooper.

### **Report from the Chair:**

- Shelley attended the MAPC conference in April, there a lot of good ideas, but most presentations and vendors there were thingsthat the committee is already aware of. It was valuable as a refresher.
- Shelley asked how the committee wants to be advised on upcoming continuing education and it was unanimous to pass along information via the Google groups email thread as well as post to the Medway Energy website.
- Shelley congratulated the Solarize team which made a very intense effort to review vendor submissions and choose a vendor they believe will be a good partner for Medway.
- Shelley recently found out that the \$1250 annual budget for MEC went to \$0 at town meeting for FY14. As this process begins in November, we did not have a board secretary, and were not consulted for budget submissions. Allison is to get answers and push for emergency funding back to the MEC. John mentioned that this should be an easy fix and to keep planning the public programs as usual.
- Bob Ferrari has indicated a willingness to be the liason for the energy committee for the Housing Authority. His membership is pending approval from the Board of Selectmen.

### **Report from Members:**

- Charlie mentioned the current push is now hydro for clean energy center, going to possibly test at the Mill.
- Dan mentioned that Medway is very lucky to have been teamed up with 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Energy as this process went fast since the last meeting.
- Suzy advised that the DOER announced the electric vehicle grant to municipalities is \$7500 for complete electric vehicle or \$5000 for hybrid vehicles. There will be a number of workshops coming up on this. The town cannot get this funding without charging stations. Town needs to apply for these grants by June. Suzy did the webinar and will forward the notes to the appropriate people including the MEC Google Groups link for review by the committee.
- Shelley and Bob discussed needing the town by-laws for charging stations for new developments, need to have a meeting with the Planning Board to discuss the possibilities. This is especially important since the State emissions will be 0 by 2015. Suzy mentioned the Planning Board is straight out for two months, she would like the board to attend an MEC meeting regarding site recs, she thought it would also be a good idea to speak with people of Shaw's that may entertain the idea, Shelley agreed with Suzy's points.

## **Action Items: (Former completed Items removed)**

| Action   | Assigned to                 | Deadline     |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------|--|
| Invite Conservation Services Group to speak at future meeting.   | Shelley                     | ASAP         |  |
| Send link to all members to comply with online ethics  | Shelley                     | Complete     |  |
| Build a spreadsheet for Grant ideas and prioritize   | Shelley & Michele           | Ongoing      |  |
| Meet to compare completed TNT action items and prioritize the remaining TNT energy saving measures to consider | John, Susy,<br>Dave D'Amico | Complete     |  |
| Add webinars to MEC website  | Secretary                   | Complete     |  |
| Provide Green Communities quarterly report to committee  | Susy                        | Each Quarter |  |
| Review how files can be stored on Town Website   | John                        | Ongoing      |  |
| Need to find a non-profit facility for 10kw demo for 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Generation Energy                      | Shelley                     | Ongoing      |  |
| Invite Planning & Economic Development Board to Energy<br>Committee Meeting                                    | Susy                        | This summer  |  |

## **Future MEC Meeting Dates:**

The committee agreed to meet next on June 19, 2013 at 7:00pm at same location MHS Room 138-3. July and August meetings to be postponed for summer vacations.

Adjournment: Diane Borgati moved, and Charlie Myers seconded, to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele P. Grant Night Board Secretary