

# Medway Energy Committee

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Meeting Minutes: April 16, 2014 Medway High School, Guidance Area

Approved: June 18, 2014

#### 1) Call to Order:

The April meeting of the Medway Energy Committee was called to order by the Acting Chair, Shelley Wieler, at 7:05 p.m. The meeting was attended by MEC members as indicated below.

<b>Attendees:</b>	9/18/13	10/16/13	11/20/13	12/18/13	1/15/14	2/19/14	3/19/14	4/16/14	5/21/14	6/18/14
Comments				No Quorum		No meeting				
Carey Bergeron, Ch	X	X	X		X					
Dave Brownell	X			X	X		X	X		
Peter Cooper		X	X		X			X		
Larry Ellsworth	X		X	X	X		X			
Charlie Myers	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
Shelley Wieler, Act. Ch	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
Carole Bernstein										
John Foresto			X				X			
Bob Tucker					X		X	X		

### 2) Meeting Minutes:

A motion to approve the January 15, 2014 and March 19, 2014 minutes was made by Charlie Myers and seconded by Robert Tucker. These minutes were both unanimously approved.

## 3) Report from Chair

The chair was not present for the meeting but Shelley discussed the status of the Green Community grant submittal that Medway is preparing.

### 4) Reports from members

Charlie Meyers reported on his meetings with DOER personnel and presented the State's energy saving programs and goals. He also commented that the Town's GC grant submittal should be responsive to

the States stated energy reduction goals to improve our competiveness. He also said that Medway is recognized as being greener in part because the Charles River Wastewater Treatment facility replaced aerators and added VFD's that are effective at reducing energy consumption.

David Brownell provided a chart showing the Mass Energy Insight data for Medway for 2009 through 2013. This chart indicates that the 2013 energy use was 8% below the 2009 energy use. Charlie Myers noted that the opening of the Thayer Building will likely add to the Towns energy use and this new building should be explained to DOER when our energy use is reported.

#### 5) Review Action Items

The action items were reviewed and the updated items are provided in the following table.

Action	Assigned to	Deadline	
Contact Suzanne and David about Broadway Electric	Shelley	Completed	
closing (contracts?)	,	1	
Send a note to Town supporting our Green Communities	Shelley	ASAP	
Grant submittal	Shelley		
Update MEC website, check on Google calendar/events	Shelley	Ongoing	
Provide Green Communities quarterly report to committee	Suzy	May / Ongoing	
MA Energy Insight Update	Dave	Completed	
Subcommittee for preparing list of incentives and rebate	Larry and Peter	Ongoing	
opportunities	Larry and reter	Oligonig	
Net Metering Agreement progress – Ask Suzanne to issue	Susy/Shelley	Ongoing	
press release regarding this	Susy/Sileney	Oligonig	
Identify energy conserving measures for Thayer Building	Dave	May	
Night Board Secretary Ad	Carey	May	
Identify IR Scanner product and cost information	Dave	May	

# 6) Green Community Conference Amherst

Shelley discussed the Green Community conference being held in Amherst.

## 7) Green Community Grant Application Endorsement

A motion to endorse the Town's Green Communities submittal was made by Peter Cooper and seconded by David Brownell. Charlie offered an amendment to have the MEC authorize Shelley Wieler to write a letter of support to the Town for its Green Communities Program submittal. The amendment and the motion were unanimously approved.

### 8) Membership Terms Renewal

Charlie Meyers said that he will be retiring from the committee when his term expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Shelley said that she will renew her membership for another year.

### 9) MEC Budget Items

A discussion of the merits of several MEC expenditures included the topic of purchasing an IR scanner for municipal and possibly residential building thermal imaging. Dave discussed the options available from FLIR with scanners costing between \$1,000 and \$2,500. The possibility of using \$750 from the MEC budget and the balance from the Solarize Medway budget was discussed. Dave agreed to investigate options for acquiring a scanner.

### 10) Future Meeting Topics

The next meeting date will be May 21st.

**<u>Adjournment of MEC meeting:</u>** Shelley motioned to adjourn at 8:45pm, Peter Wheeler moved, and David Brownell seconded.

Respectfully Submitted, David Brownell