

# Medway Energy Committee

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### **Minutes**

Meeting Notes: March 25, 2015
Meeting Location: High School Library
Approved: April 15, 2015

#### 1 Call to Order:

Carey Bergeron called the March meeting of the Medway Energy Committee to order at 7:10 PM. The attendees were Carey Bergeron, Shelley Wieler, David Brownell, John Foresto, Bob Tucker, Matt DeSorbo, Paul Mahoney, and the Town Energy Manager, Robert (Bob) Weiss. Bob Tucker, PEDB and Jack Mee, Building Commissioner also attended the meeting.

Attendees:	6/18/14	9/17/14	10/15/14	11/19/14	12/17/14	1/21/15	2/24/15	3/18/15	4/15/15	5/20/15
Comments		No Quorum								
Carey Bergeron, Ch	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Dave Brownell	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Larry Ellsworth	X		X	X	X			X		
Shelley Wieler, Act. Ch	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Carole Bernstein										
John Foresto	X			X	X	X	X	X		
Bob Tucker	X				X		X	X		
Paul Mahoney								X		
Matt Desorbo								X		

## 2 Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the February 24, 2015 minutes was made by Shelley Wieler and seconded by David Brownell. These minutes were unanimously approved.

## 3 Update from Medway Energy Manager:

The Medway Energy Manager, Bob Weiss, advised that Medway signed a contract with Borego for 3MW. The contract is for 20 years with a 2% escalation with a guarantee for \$.02 under wholesale. Another 2MW will go to Charles River with 1MW remaining. Blue Wave Capital was informed that the high school project would not be pursued at this time and they were released to other projects.

The Memorial School Competitive Grant for FY 2015/2016, which provides LED Street lights and an automated energy management system was discussed. The contract with Trane for the EMS was discussed. The warranty is being looked at to make sure it is there. The town hopes to have a contract signed within the next week. The LED streetlight project is finished with the installation of 193 fixtures at \$322/ fixture.

Bob informed the committee that the solar is back up and working after being covered with snow for a few months. The High School is running at 106KW(106% of predicted KW) and the Middle School is running at 50-75% of predicted KW.

Bob has spoken to Dr. Evans and Armand Pires about a project as required in the Energy Managers Grant. There is some teacher interest in assisting the MEC. Bob will reach out to Cindy Droeske (5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

#### 4 Report from the Chair:

Medway Pride Day was discussed. Pride day is May 16, 2015 and it was agreed all members would need to commit to man a booth as well as have some energy type gadgets for people to play with. John Foresto agreed to contact Exelon to partner with them with the booth for Pride Day. It was suggested we have people sign up to have infrared pictures of their kids (using our infrared camera) emailed to them. This will result in a nice contact list. The KW meter will also be on display. In addition we will have written material stating what/who we are as well as some other useful information regarding sustainability for residents.

### **5 Reports from Members:**

Shelley attended the Green Needham Collaborative meeting on energy efficiency in Needham on March 2. She got permission from them to use many of their outreach and info-brochure ideas, along with their presentation power point from that evening. Members agreed to draft short paragraphs on specific subjects to be included in the MEC newsletter.

Dave Brownell continues to work on the missing water issue.

#### 6 New Business

Carey also mentioned that MEC should consider looking at the wastewater and sewer issue in town. It was suggested that a member of MEC attend a water and sewer meeting. John Foresto questioned whether this was within the scope of the committee and it was discussed that water conservation was in the original MEC mission statement provided by the Board of Selectmen.

### **5 Review Action Items:**

Action	Assigned to	Deadline	
Update MEC website, check on Google calendar/events	Carey/Bob	Ongoing	
Provide Green Communities quarterly report to committee	Susy	Ongoing	
Subcommittee for preparing list of incentives and rebate opportunities	Larry	Ongoing	
Net Metering Agreement progress	Shelley/Bob	Ongoing	
Create outreach newsletter	Carey and Larry	Ongoing	
Review CCA energy supplier options for residents	Larry	Ongoing	
Support ToM with water use audit	<b>David and Matt</b>	Ongoing	
Contact BOS & SC opposition to Car port Solar project	Shelley	Complete	
Blue Wave Net Metering contract discussion with TM Boynton	John	Complete	
Discussion with Don regarding Trane history	Shelley	Complete	
Invite Rich Boucher and Zack Como to next meeting	Carey/John		
Starter paragraph for newsletter topic	All	Ongoing	
Contact Mr. Jasinski for Green Team participation at Pride Day	Carey	Complete	
Contact Dr. Evans and Mr. Pires re: Pride Day	Bob		
Reach out to power co's for give-a-ways	Bob/John		
Contact Exelon for Pride Day booth co-sponsor	John		

# **6 MEC Meeting Adjournment:**

Dave moved to adjourn the meeting and Shelley seconded this. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Carey Bergeron