

Minutes  
Energy Advisory Committee  
Date: 17 September 2010

Present: Sharon Anderson, Rick Bedard, Bob Blackman, Laurie Connors, Jim Dunn, John McGarry, Brian Stowell

Absent: George D'Auteuil, Brad Turner

Call to Order: 8:35 AM

1. Acceptance of Past Minutes:

The approval of the minutes of the 30 July 2010 meeting were moved until the 22 October 2010 meeting.

Reports:

2. Clean Choice Award Grant

a) Jim Dunn-Discussion of Project & Next Steps:

Jim and Pravin Trevedi, Millbury High School science teacher, who was in attendance, said they will charge the Zamboni, work with the facilities staff to get the solar panels up, and light the flag in front of the high school with solar.

b) Sharon Anderson-Status of Public Outreach Requirements:

Sharon contacted Martha Broad, Senior Project Manager for Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, about how to conduct public outreach. Martha Broad stated that we "don't have to do publicity," but if we do, to please contact Kate Plourd. The committee agreed that we would send Martha Broad a report before 11 January 2011 after the meeting between Mr. Pravedi and the principal of the high school re: the CEC Grant. In addition, we will wait until then to conduct any publicity, such as it is.

### 3. School Energy Contest

- Jim and Pravin will meet with Terry Hamilton, environmental instructor at the high school, to see what's presently going on at the school.
- Jim displayed a number of solar-powered gadgets to use with the students and explained that the utility companies will provide plenty of materials for the contest.
- Once Jim & Pravin have met with the principal and Mrs. Graves, of the science department, they'll have some solid number upon which to base the budget for the bus etc.

### 4. Municipal Energy Inventory

Laurie reported that the worst offenders to energy efficiency were, not surprisingly, the high school, the Elmwood School, the library, and the senior center. She stated that using FY2009 as the base year (the basis of the colored tables in Handout C) will be a great tool once we initiate energy efficiency measures.

Jim asked what the total of all street lighting in the town was and got the response of 100 K. He stated that they are now retrofitting of cobra heads at a great savings.

### 5. Miscellaneous Updates

- Wind Turbine Feasibility Study Kick-off Meeting and Next Steps- Wind Turbine Feasibility Subcommittee

We have signed a contract with *Weston & Samson* and *Clean Energy*. W & S will complete a draft in December and present it to the Board of Selectmen and the Butler Farm Committee, if they'd care to attend. They will present a scaled-back demonstration.

- Vehicle Efficiency Policy- Brian Stowell

Brian spoke to the Board of Selectman about this policy, and fielded a few questions from them. They OK'd it and adopted it, and it will be presented to the School Committee on 13 October.

- Green Communities Planning Assistance Grant- Laurie Connors

Laurie announced that we got this grant and that it will pay for the assistant. She wishes to accomplish all the criteria before next year's (2011) Town Meeting. In addition, the assistant could help Bob Blackman conduct education about the Stretch Code, mostly in the form of press releases.

- Status of Lighting Retrofit for Municipal Office Building & Senior Center-Laurie Connors

To date, National Grid hadn't yet gotten back to Laurie on this, but probably should by the next meeting on 22 October.

6. All business not reasonably anticipated to be discussed:

None.

Adjournment: Bob motioned to adjourn at 10:00 AM. Rick seconded.  
Unanimous vote.

Next Meeting: 8:30 AM, Friday 22 October 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Anderson

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