

Durham Energy Committee  
Monday, November 24, 2008  
4:30 pm  
Durham Town Council Chambers

Minutes

**Members Present:** Don Brautigam, Doug Clark, Kevin Gardner (chair), Fil Glanz; Nat Balch (present near end of meeting)

**Members Absent:** Vasiliki Partinoudi, David Cedarholm

1. Call to Order

2. Acceptance of minutes of November 10, 2008 meeting  
Don moved, Doug seconded, minutes passed.

3. Discussion of Nov. 19th public input session for Energy chapter of the Master Plan

Following the public input session, Vaso transcribed the list of energy saving suggestions from the public; Don added some additional points – this list provided the starting point for committee discussion

Discussion on how to proceed from here:

Fil suggestion: ask attendees of the session for additional written comments, written statements, etc..

Kevin – send vision out and get feedback then.

Doug – analyze what people said, what are big bins, etc.? Not the nitty-gritty. Craft a master plan from our discussions and the public input analysis.

Outline for pillars of Master plan:

Transportation – bike paths to buses

Development – buildings and development

Alternative (solar, wind) and Renewable (forest harvesting, methane capture) Energy –

Doug thinks of these as separate. Others consider them as one pillar.

Need to develop guiding principles and some case study type of paragraphs.

What should be our priorities?

1. solar panels for all of town's residents
2. bike paths connecting neighborhoods to downtown
3. alt energy for wastewater treatment plant
4. energy efficient buildings

(this list is just a brainstorming – committee did not decide on what these would be).

Timeline – take first shot at what the pillars are and subsections. I will get a draft out of the vision for the 3 pillars before the next meeting.

Next public input meeting date – sometime in late January?

Nov 19 public visioning meeting will be broadcast Nov 26, Wed. at 7PM.

5. Membership vacancies – we have two positions vacant and should look to fill from ranks that attended public input session. Nat will follow up with Mike Hoffman and Ty Crossman about their interest in joining committee. Suggest emailing them electronic version of application form.

Next meeting Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – ORCC will be coming.  
Then Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

6. New Business

7. Adjourn at 6:00