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# DURHAM ENERGY COMMITTEE Monday, December 7, 2009 Town Council Chambers, Durham Town Hall 4:30 P.M.

# MINUTES

## I. Call to Order 4:45

## Present: Fil Glanz, Don Brautigam, Nat Balch, Kevin Gardner

### II. Agenda approved.

## III. Minutes Approved from:

- A. August 24, 2009
- B. September 14, 2009
- C. October 5, 2009
- D. November 16, 2009 as amended.

#### IV. Discussions about topics other than the Master Plan

- A. Review of draft annual report of the Energy Committee draft will go out tonight by email to get in to Jennie by the 9<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Committee membership: continued discussion Anna Porter expressed interest to Nat. He will contact her and invite her to apply or come to a meeting. Fil will also contact Peter Ejarque.
- C. State- and municipal-level funding opportunities: Fil will investigate the NH Energy Efficiency Block Grant program and report back.

## V. Energy Chapter of the Master Plan

A. Continued brainstorming about the Alternative and Renewable Energy pillar (including terminology)

We'll call this renewable energy pillar.

A & RER Vision Point 1: "To expand the role of clean renewable energy resources for Durham residential and municipal operations, in order to hedge against the increasing volatility of petroleum prices and to reduce the environmental impact of our energy use."

- Improve energy efficiency and conservation to minimize energy use requirements.
- Develop solar energy for electricity and hot water and promote SEAREI and similar types of organizations.
- Develop municipal financing mechanisms (akin to that adopted in many other states) available for residents.

- Implement incentives that support renewable energy sources
- Participate in the development of regional energy cooperatives
  - B. Determination of tasks remaining, establishment of timetable, assignments
  - VI. **Other Business**
  - VII. Next meeting of the Committee: January 4, 2010.
  - VIII. Adjournment

## THE TOWN OF DURHAM REQUESTS 48 HOURS NOTICE IF SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AIDS ARE NEEDED.