



DURHAM ENERGY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, DURHAM TOWN HALL
7:30 P.M.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order 7:30PM

Present: Fil Glanz, Don Brautigam, Kevin Gardner (Chair), Mike Hoffman, Robin Mower (Town Council Rep)

Absent: Dave Cedarholm (DPW Rep), Peter Ejarque

Guests: none

Minutes: Don Brautigam

II. Initiatives – Brief Updates

- A. Mike – update on Town’s purchase of wholesale power; Constellation given approval to look at Durham power usage statistics – we need to set up meeting with Constellation (Emily Glick) to get more details; Mike – will check other company?
- B. KVAR – no news on this
- C. Decision to suggest relocating bike rack at Town Hall to more visible spot (single car slot near building)
- D. Safe bicycle initiatives in Durham: discussion on options, funding – get bike rack at fire station; town should coordinate with UNH for placement; issue of where to locate sharrows (Mill Rd, Madbury Rd, ...) – Robin will draft letter for Dave Cedarholm to UNH Traffic and Safety Committee and Steve Pesci.
- E. NH’s new solar hot water rebate (average of \$1500) and photovoltaic rebate; Fil will look into
- F. Revolution Energy (Clay Mitchell, et al) – got funded from Green Launching Pad – putting solar array in Exeter, school doesn’t put up any money; encourage them to contact Oyster River schools
- G. Green Clean Heat – funded from Green Launching Pad – generate heat from waste scrap wood – Kevin has notified Blaine Cox.

III. **Master Plan** – defer to next meeting

IV. **Legislation**

- A. PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) bond program and NH's HB1554 "allowing municipalities to establish energy efficiency and clean energy districts"
 - i. passed at state level
 - ii. need to communicate to town how this works – need to sell idea since town will need to raise bond;
 - iii. Don – determine what kind of demand there will be for PACE – check out PACENOW.org – look for NH municipalities pursuing PACE
 - iv. Kevin - develop example to illustrate the economic benefits of PACE – publish in Friday update; could set up informational meeting if sufficient public interest
 - v. solicit business interests in PACE
- B. **State legislation: SB 316: establishing a statewide transportation policy – not passed**
- C. **Federal legislation S.2993: A bill to increase the quantity of solar photovoltaic electricity -**

V. **Next meeting of the Committee:** TBD

VI. **Adjournment** – 9:40 PM