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DURHAM ENERGY COMMITTEE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2010 OLD COURTHOUSE — MINUTES —

I. Call to Order (at 7:20pm)

Members Present: Robin Mower, Charles Forcey, Brian Goetz (taking minutes), Mike Hoffman, Peter Ejarque

Members Absent: Kevin Gardner, Dave Cedarholm

II. Approval of Agenda Added "Cool School Challenge"

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. October 26, 2010 approved
- B. November 9, 2010 approved

IV. PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) program

• Documentation and procedures, e.g., application, checklist

Charles has been researching and looking at other programs for examples. Milwaukee has a good example to follow as a template. Charles is working on drafting the language for Durham and getting a draft package out in a week or two. Peter will review. PACE Loan Workflow version 6 handed out.

Reviewed applicants that may be ready to move forward. Still not certain how many will be in the first round. Looks right now that it might be 3 to 4 totaling approx \$60 to \$70k. Working toward getting a preliminary total to bring forward to Town Council for Dec. 20th meeting.

Questions -

What about 3rd party payment? Who receives the loan funds – resident to pay for services or actual vendor? What happens when loan amount requested is more than needed for project? What is the timeframe for the projects? What is Town's timing for bonding? We assume that this bonding would be rolled into other Town bonds? Can Town fund out of General Fund and then bond? Additional % fees on top of existing loan % to cover debt reserve? Origination fees rolled into loans? Legal review of documentation?

V. Communications with other official Town entities

A. Town Council—Tax exemption for wind and central wood heating systems

Robin read some draft language amending the Durham Town Code. Peter will help with definitions of systems. Robin will send out.

- B. Town Council—Bicycle route (tabled)
- C. Planning Board—Conditions of Approval

Robin distributed draft language regarding energy efficiency measures that the Planning Board could either require or recommend. The letter recommends that applicants meet energy efficiency standards w/new projects. Committee agreed that Robin should forward this to Planning Board w/edits per our discussion of the draft.

- D. Town Council—Chapter 38 Building Code (tabled)
- VI. Master Plan Survey—continued discussion

The Committee discussed whether to include questions about walkability (transportation) or climate change? What would be a valuable response for the Energy Committee? Should we have an awareness question? Robin and Charles will be meeting again on Dec 9th w/the survey planning group. Robin will forward question examples to the entire committee for input.

- VII. **Revolution Energy in December**—discussion about upcoming meeting with Revolution Energy. Robin will send a note to them regarding tentative meeting agenda items.
- VIII. Cool School Challenge Discussion for next meeting.
- IX. Other Business None
- X. Next meeting of the Committee: December 13, 2010 (with Revolution Energy)
- XI. Adjournment at 9:25 pm