

Joint Renewable Energy Committee and Energy Independence Team Meeting

Thurs., April 15, 2009 – 3:00 p.m.

Polk County Government Center, County Board Room

100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

AGENDA

- Call to order
- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes of the March 18th, 2010 meetings
- Public Comments
- Items for discussion and possible action:
 - Renewable Energy Blog
 - Energy 2010 update
 - Discussion of 4/7 OEI meeting with other 25 x 2025 Pilot Communities
 - Review of updated budget
 - Focus on Energy Assessment
 - Educational component of grant
 - Consideration of endorsement of Energy 2010 by EIT
- Member comments and announcements
- Set next meeting
 - Date, Time, and Agenda
- Adjourn

(Agenda items may not be presented in this order.)

Joint Energy Independence Team
and Renewable Energy Committee Meeting
April 15, 2010 - 3pm
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- Minutes -

Attendance: Tim Anderson, Marlin Baillargeon, Thomas Engel, Bob Kazmierski, Kathryn Kienholz, Jay Luke, Kathleen Melin, Deb Peterson, Jeff Peterson, Gregg Westigard,

Absent: Ryan Sterry, Kim O'Connell, Mike Voltz,

Others Present: None

Called to Order: Joint Meeting at 3:05 PM by Jeff Peterson for REC and Tim Anderson for the EIT

Motion: (JPeterson/Baillargeon) to approve agenda. Carried

Motions: (Westigard/Baillargeon) to approve REC 3/18/10 minutes. Carried
(Luke/JPeterson) to approve EIT 3/18/10 minutes. Carried

Discussion: Jeff Peterson and Bob Kazmierski explained further why the Renewable Energy Blog could not be put on the county website – Todd Dimmers did not want to set precedent. Arrangements through Bob Kazmierski have been made to post it through the UWEX website/portal.

Discussion: Jeff Peterson and Marlin Baillargeon reported on the substantial progress for the Energy 2010 Fair. Some funds have come in and they are developing many vendors and speakers for the program.

Discussion: Tim Anderson and Bob Kazmierski reported on the April 7th OEI meeting at Eau Claire, and the discussion on PACE funding for local businesses and citizens to secure funding for private renewable energy installations. Tim Anderson also reported that he was making very good progress at imputing the county's five-year energy usage data.

Discussion: Tim Anderson reviewed the updated EIT budget

Motion: (Westigard/Baillargeon) to authorize \$500 payment to the Energy Fair 2010 as an educational expense item from the EIT grant. Carried

Discussion: Focus on Energy initial site assessments will be conducted within the next month and a report should be available for the next meeting.

Discussion: Educational component of EIT grant – set October 1st for possible countywide tour of renewable energy installations.

Discussion: Considerable discussion of endorsement or sponsor of Energy 2010 by EIT.

Motion: (Westigard/Melin) The EIT will endorse and/or sponsor the Energy 2010 as the Energy Fair 2010 chooses to show on there literature. Carried.

Members Comments: Bob Kazmierski announced that UWEX will make a short Renewable Energy video of installations in Polk county.
Gregg Westigard affirmed the idea of the joint EIT & REC meeting.
Kathleen Melin announced the local farmer income meeting at the SCF city hall on 4/15/10.
Jeff Peterson announced the Earth Day @ the Recycling Center on April 23rd and the need for tour guides.
Jeff Peterson announced the revise purchasing policy is in "hold" status until new county administrator and board are established.

Next Meeting: Set for May 20th @ 3PM at the Polk County Government Center in Balsam Lake as a joint Energy Independence Team & Renewable Energy Committee meeting

Motion: (Westigard/Luke) to adjourn at 4:45PM. Carried

Prepared by: **Thomas G. Engel**