Renewable Energy Committee Thurs., February 18, 2010 – 3:00 p.m.** Polk County Government Center, County Board Room 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

* AMENDED AGENDA Amended 2/16/10-8:50 am **AMENDED AGENDA Amended 2/17/10-12:10 pm

- Call to order [This meeting will be convened immediately following the Energy Independence Team meeting but not before 3:30.]**
- Approve agenda
- Guest speaker: Brian Driscoll, Wisconsin Office of Energy Independence**
- Approve minutes of January 28, 2010 meeting
- Public comments
- Items for discussion and possible action:
 - Energy Independent Communities grant**
 - Policy 912 amendments update
 - ➤ Committee support for "Energy 2010"
 - Renewable energy blog
 - Strategic goals status reports and updates
 - Resolution to Establish Energy Independence Team*
- General discussion of renewable energy issues
- Member reports and comments
- Set next meeting
- Adjourn

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

Renewable Energy Committee

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- Minutes -

Attendance: Marlin Baillargeon, Thomas Engel, Jay Luke, Kathryn Kienholz, Kathleen Melin, Kim O'Connell, Jeff Peterson, Gregg Westigard Absent: Mike Voltz

Others present: Bob Kazmierski, UW Extension Office Tim Anderson, County Planner Jeff Fuge, Corporation Consel Timm Johnson, Osceola Energy Independence Team Brian Driscoll, Wisconsin Office of Energy Independence Press Public

Called to Order at 3:05 PM by Chairman Jeff Peterson

- Motion: (Westigard/Luke) to approve agenda. Carried
- Motion: (Luke/Kienholtz) to approve minutes of January 28 with Westigard/Melin amendment to allow only 1 per diem when EIT and REC meetings occur on the same day. Carried
- Discussion: Brian Driscoll of the Wisconsin Office of Energy Independence presented the \$45,000 Energy Independent Communities grant to Polk County. Tim Anderson is identified as the Energy Independence Team Leader. Corporate Consel, Jeff Fuge discussed the grant contract highlights and requirements.
- Discussion: Kienholz reported that the Policy 912 amendments were not acted on by the finance committee because they wanted to wait for all five members to be present to vote.
- Motion: Luke/Kienholz to reconsider last month's Energy 2010 Fair motion from to "cosponsor" to "support" the Energy 2010 Fair at the county fair grounds. Carried
- Discussion: Strategic Plan and Goals Bob Kazmierski reported on a UWEX application for a sustain ability video. Kathleen Melin volunteered to assist with grant writing.
- Motion: (Luke/Kienholz) To forward resolution to establish Energy Independence Team to the full county board. Carried

Members Reports: Baillargeon reported on the initial planning meeting for the Energy 2010 Fair. O'Connell passed out *a County News* article on 'Creative Destruction'. Engel reported on his continued search for a wind turbine at the Recycling Center.

Next Meeting: Set for March 18th @ 3PM at the Polk County Government Center in Balsam Lake Energy Independence Team meeting first, followed by Renewable Energy Committee meeting

Motion: (Kienholz/Westigard) to adjourn at 5:05PM Carried