

Renewable Energy Committee

Thursday, June 16, 2011 – 3:00 P.M.

Polk County Government Center, County Board Room
100 Polk Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

- Call to order
- Approve agenda
- Approve 5/19 minutes
- Public comments
- Elect new committee chairman, vice chairman, and secretary
- Items for discussion and possible action

Continue REC goal review w/Bob Kazmerski

- Tom Engel report on electrical energy discussions with NWECC
- General discussion of renewable energy issues
- Members comments and reports
- Set next meeting
- Adjourn

(Agenda items may not be presented in this order)

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Attendance: Gregg Westigard, Timm Johnson, Jay Luke, Tom Engel, Linda Leef, Kathleen Melin

Absent: Kathryn Kienholz, Kim O'Connell, Marlon Baillargeon

Others: Tim Anderson, Bob Kazmerski, Deb Peterson

Call to order at 3:10 by Vice Chair, Tom Engel

Motion: (Luke/Johnson) to approve the agenda, carried

Motion: (Westigard/Luke) to approve the 4-12-11 minutes, carried

Discussion: Office of Energy Independence eliminated

Election of officers: Motion: (Westigard/Johnson) to unanimously elect Tom Engel as chair, carried.

Motion: (Melin/Luke) to unanimously elect Timm Johnson as Vice Chair, carried. Motion:

(Johnson/Westigard) to unanimously elect Linda Leef as Secretary

Discussion: committee member / contact list needs to be updated. The committee secretary will update the list of committee members, with contact information and get it out to the members of the committee.

Discussion: Tim Anderson reported that Polk County Renewable Energy Committee was awarded an extension on the 25 x 25 grant to do stated events toward educating the community about Renewable Energy issues. He and Timm Johnson will begin working on the first event.

Discussion: Renewable Energy Committee goals, strategies, task plans, vision statement, Mission statement:

Proposed new Mission Statement: The mission of the Polk County Renewable Energy Committee is to provide leadership for energy conservation and energy replacement for Polk County residents, businesses, and public agencies to create a more sustainable community.

Motion: (Luke/Johnson) to accept new Mission Statement as written, carried

Tasks assigned:

-Energy Fair: work on public awareness and contractor awareness – Linda Leef

-Meet with the Property and Public Protection Committees to establish a better working relationship, to discuss energy conservation ideas and the work of Johnson Control - Jay Luke

-Meet with Dana Frey re: purchasing policy changes – Gregg Westigard

-Educational Events through the grant extension – Timm Johnson and Tim Anderson

-Look into natural gas for county trucks / vehicles – Timm Johnson and Tom Engel

-Report to the County Board: Linda will plan a report to the County Board by the end of June. It will be e-mailed to the committee and then to the county clerk

Consensus: Next meeting will be July 21 at 3pm

Motion: (Luke/Melin) to adjourn at 4:45

Linda Seef

Secretary