

Renewable Energy Committee
October 23, 2007 - 3 p.m.
Board Room - Polk County Government Center
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

- Minutes -

Attendance: Art Gamache, Marlin Baillargeon, Thomas Engel, Mike Welch, Jeff Peterson

Absent: Larry Jepson, Gregg Westigard, Mike Voltz

Others present: Dan Hanson, Energy Advisor, Focus On Energy
Todd Schulte, Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative

Meeting called to order by Jeff Peterson, Chairman @ 3:05 pm

Motion: (Welch/Gamache) to approve agenda. Carried

Previous Minutes: Motion (Baillargeon/Welch) to approve 9/25/07 Minutes. Carried

Public Comments: None

Guest presenters: Dan Hanson, Focus On Energy presented brochures and discussion on Wisconsin's Statewide Energy Efficiency Program and various conservation/rebate schemes available customers and consumers.

Discussion: Grant application from River Country Resource Conservation Development for assistance with a Polk County Fiber Inventory

Consensus Agreement: Jeff Peterson to prepare and circulate RCDC grant application

Committee member's comments:

Both Art Gamache and Mike Welch voiced their concern that all three energy companies supplying Polk county be given opportunity to present that renewable energy programs.

Tom Engel reported on the waste to biodiesel/methane/fertilizer pilot plant in Fürth, Germany

Jeff Peterson reported on his initial contact with personnel at UW Madison new Renewable Energy Development Center

New Business:

Motion: (Gamache/Welch) to have Jeff invite Polk-Burnett Coop to next meeting. Carried

Motion: (Gamache/Engel) Set next meeting date October 23, 2007 at 3 p.m.. Carried

Motion: (Baillargeon/Welch) To adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Prepared by: **Thomas G. Engel**