

Renewable Energy Committee
Thurs., May 14, 2009 – 12:45 p.m.
Polk County Recycling Center
1302 – 208th St./Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls, WI

AGENDA

- Call to order

[The committee will immediately recess to observe the conducting of a site assessment for solar application at the Recycling Center, reconvening immediately afterward at or about 3 p.m.]

- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes of April 7, 2009 meeting
- Public comments
- Guest presenter: Peter Henry on *The Natural Step*
- Items for discussion and possible action:
 - Strategic Plan
 - Status updates on progress toward goals
 - Participation in Autumn Fest
- General discussion of renewable energy issues
- Member reports and comments
- Set next meeting
- Adjourn

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

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- Minutes -

Attendance: Marlin Baillargeon, Thomas Engel, Kathryn Kienholz, Jay Luke, Kathleen Melin, Jeff Peterson, Mike Voltz, Gregg Westigard Absent: Larry Jepsen,

Others present: Debbie Peterson, Polk County Property Manager,
Diana Manning, Polk County Adult Development Center
Jason Edens, Rural Renewable energy Alliance
Kris Schmid, Legacy Solar
Peter Henry, Energy Concepts

Meeting called to order at 12:45 PM by Chairman Jeff Peterson

Public Comments: Diana Manning described the plans to construct an energy efficient greenhouse for the Polk County Adult Development Center in Milltown's industrial park.

Meeting was recessed for tour of recycling facility and possible solar panel installations.

Tom Engel joined meeting at 1:30PM

Meeting reconvened at 3PM

Peter Henry makes a power point presentation "*The Natural Step*"

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

Motion: (Westigard/Kienholtz) to approve minutes of April 7, 2009 Carried

Discussion: 2009-2010 Action Plan Goals progress

Discussion: Renewable Energy Committee participation in the St. Croix Falls Autumn Festival.

Motion: (Westigard/Voltz) The REC tentatively approves participation to promote the committee's mission, renewable literature and renewable projects in the county. Carried

Member Reports: Gregg Westigard and Mike Voltz commented on the county's budget gap and the possible impact on the committee.
Jeff Peterson reported on the ARRA Energy Block Grant Workshop on Wednesday, May 21st at Rice lake. Five members plan to attend.

Tom Engel commented on the significance and importance of Wisconsin's *Green Tier* program.

Mike Voltz reported that Bishop fixtures was presently installing wood peltizing equipment

Next Meeting: Set for June 18th @ 3PM

Motion: (Luke/Kienholtz) to adjourn at 4:05 PM

Prepared by: *Thomas G. Engel*