

Renewable Energy Committee

Thursday, July 17, 2014– 3:00 P.M.

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

- Call to order
- Approve agenda
- Approve 6/19 minutes
- Public comments
- Short term project updates
 1. LED lighting project
 2. Alternative fueled vehicles
 3. Committee structure- elect Chair & Secretary
 4. Review next steps on priority list
- Member comments
- Set next meeting date
- Adjourn

(Agenda items may not be presented in this order)

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Minutes of July 17, 2014 Meeting

Chairman Timm Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Present were county board supervisors Jay Luke, and Marv Casperson, citizen members Marlin Baillargeon, Tom Engel, Timm Johnson and Dave Muller. Craig Moriak, Joe Cronick, Kathryn Kienholz and Gary Dado were absent.

Deb Peterson, Property Director and Tim Anderson, County Planner also present.
Kurt Reinhold, Solar Connections was present.

Motion by Casperson/Muller to approve the agenda; carried by voice vote.

Motion by Luke/Baillargeon to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2014 meeting; carried by voice vote.

Public Comments: Kurt Reinhold presented information on the just released State Energy Office grant for implementation and continuance of energy usage audit for 2025 communities. This grant and the data collection would produce financial grade details and plans for the proposed county solar photovoltaic panel installation. The cost to the county is a \$500 application fee that will be reimbursed through the awarded \$5000 grant.

Motion by Luke/Casperson to recommend to the CDRE committee to solicit an RFP for a new county wide energy audit and financial planning report. Motion carried by voice vote.

LED Lighting Project:

Deb Peterson reported on a new *Focus On Energy* grant opportunity that includes labor costs on the LED parking lot lights at the Justice Center. She has received a \$23,712 quotation from NEI electricians to complete the project.

Motion by Bailaregon/Engel to submit the NEI \$23,712 quotation to the CDRE committee with REC committee approval of the LED lighting project at the justice center. Motion carried by voice vote.

Alternate Fueled Vehicles: Dave Muller announced a CNG Fuel EXPO in LaCrosse on 7/19/14.

Committee Structure: Timm Johnson advised the committee of the following information:

1. Joe Cornick would like to resign from the committee
2. Gary Dado has also resigned from the committee.
3. Per discussion with William Johnson IV, committee members are appointed to the committee for indeterminate terms and may serve as long as desired.

Motion by Luke/Bailargeon to nominate Timm Johnson as Committee Chairman.

Motion by Casperson/Bailargeon to nominate Tom Engel as Vice Chairman.

Motion by Bailargeon/Casperson to nominate Tom Engel at Secretary.

Motion by consensus to pass a unanimous ballot for the nominees.

Next Meeting: Renewable Energy Committee will be Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 3 p.m. in the County Board Room. All Polk County Board Supervisors are welcomed.

Motion by Luke/Casperson to adjourn at 5:05 p.m.: carried by voice vote

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Engel,
Secretary