

Renewable Energy Committee

Thursday, July 18, 2013– 3:00 P.M.

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

- Call to order
- Approve agenda
- Approve 5/16 minutes
- Public comments
- Short term project updates
 1. LED lighting project update- Tom & Debbie
 2. Alternative fueled vehicles
 3. Polk County Energy Usage Report- Debbie
 4. Polk County Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin Resolution- Tom
- Member comments
- Set next meeting date
- Adjourn

(Agenda items may not be presented in this order)

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Minutes of July 18, 2013 Meeting

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

Present were county board supervisors Tom Engel, Kathryn Kienholz, and Jay Luke and citizen members Marlin Billargeon, Joe Cronick, Gary Dado, and Dave Muller.

Also present was Debbie Peterson, Polk County Property Director and 3 citizens

Motion by Dado/Luke to approve the agenda; carried by voice vote.

Motion by Luke/Mueller to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2013 meeting; carried by voice vote.

Public comments: Carol Johnson spoke in support of the Clean Energy Choice resolution.
Jerry Veibroek spoke in support of the Clean Energy Choice resolution.
Jeff Peterson spoke in support of the Clean Energy Choice resolution and announced the 4th annual Polk County Energy Fair on August 17th.

LED Lighting Project:

Tom Engel reported that was no update on the justice center parking lot LED lighting project.

Alternative Fueled Vehicles: Debbie Peterson reported that Polk County was selected to participate in a “Smart Fleet Program”. The county’s share (\$300) of the cost will be Deb’s time on the project.

Polk County Energy Usage Report: Debbie reported that they have begun to record Justice Center peak electric demand information and but that Johnson controls still has some software/computer work to complete.

Justice Center Energy Usage:

Deb Peterson reported that she continues to develop the proposal from Johnson Controls to supply high efficiency domestic water heating equipment and system at the Justice Center. Two proposals will be reviewed by the Property Committee for consideration in the 2014 CIP budget.

Clean Energy Choice Resolution: Tom Engel introduced the Clean Energy Choice resolution that he prepared at the request of citizen Carol Johnson. There was discussion among the members.

Motion: By Baillargeon/Cronick to approve and forward to the Property Committee and then to the County Board the proposed *Resolution in Support of Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin*. Motion approved by voice vote. (Copy of the resolution attached)

Members Comments:

Tom Engel distributed an article that discussed research at The Ohio State University to mix iron oxide nanoparticles with coal at power plants to absorb CO₂ during combustion as part of the coal industries response to demands for cleaner burning coal at base-load power plants.

Next Meeting: Renewable Energy Committee will be Thursday, August 22 at 3 p.m.

Motion by Dado/Baillargeon to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.; carried by voice vote

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Engel,
Secretary