

Medfield Energy Committee
23 October 2008
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Leo Alinsky, CONTACT_Con-435FD45A1 \c \s \l Fred Bunger, Fred Davis, Emre Schveighoffer, Marie Nolan, Cynthia Greene, Mike Sullivan, Pete Peterson, Charles Kellner.

Medfield High School Students: Jason Alinsky, Noah Gray, Mike Cahill

Meeting opened by Marie Nolan at 7:40

Minutes of 9/25/08 MEC meeting approved

3. TOWN BUILDINGS: No report on Energy Star Label for Town bldgs.

- High School: Discussed Sept. 2008 NSTAR Energy Benchmarking Report.

Reprogramming done on hours of operation of HVAC

C Kellner is following up on potential large savings & quick payback for CO2 monitoring of exhaust air to control ventilation. He is getting bids from Trane & others.

Shutting down computers when not in use is challenging but ongoing.

Inefficient lighting in gym should be addressed.

Some Report input data is inconsistent (computer count). C Kellner will review with NSTAR

All MEC members are encouraged to read the Report and forward comments to Fred Davis. Fred will compile comments and give to C Kellner.

- Middle School: Fred Davis noted downward trend in electrical usage but high cost in summer. Only 27% of usage is lighting.

- DPW Building: Mike Sullivan said that the State Dept. of Energy Resources will review new DPW building plans for energy efficiency. Solar Arrays, geothermal and methane recovery from old dump will be considered. He mentioned that with the current economic situation, plans for any new construction will likely be delayed.

BUSINESS SECTOR:

a. Fred B attended "lessons learned" presentation on the Sustainable Business Leader Program (SBLP). SBLP assists businesses be more energy efficient and sustainable (green). See HYPERLINK "http://www.SustainableBusinessLeader.org" www.SustainableBusinessLeader.org.

b. Fred B attended the MEMO meeting and talked about MEC. He also promoted utility energy audits, EPA Portfolio Manager energy benchmarking and the SBLP. Fred followed up with letter to MEMO members offering help and already has one call for assistance.

c. Cynthia G reported that the MCAN annual conference will be held at the Stata Center at MIT on Sunday November 16, from 9 to 5. Cost is \$50 or, join MCAN & attend conference for \$65. See HYPERLINK "http://www.massclimateaction.org/" www.massclimateaction.org/

Fred B will be attending and can take 3 riders.

RESIDENTIAL SECTOR:

a. Lee A noted that the League of Women Voters Fall Forum on Global Warming will be held at the High School Thursday November 13 at 7 – 9 PM. MEC will staff a table at the event to answer questions about MEC and pass out compact fluorescents and the Energy Tips bookmark.

b. Cynthia G reported on the Energy Star Benchmarking Tracker for assessing energy use in residences. Cynthia will forward the information to MEC members so that all can assess their energy use. See HYPERLINK

"http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=home_energy_yardstick.showStep2" http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=home_energy_yardstick.showStep2

c. Emre S will set up protocol for selling/checking out Kill-a-Watt meters through the Medfield Library. Marie N will arrange for reimbursement of Kill-a-Watts by the Medfield Climate Action Committee.

AWARENESS:

Article on MEC and Medfield Day was run in the Medfield Press

Marie will contact Globe West reporter to learn if the article can be run in the Globe Metrowest

FUNDING:

Marie called Mass. Technology Collaborative about Clean Energy Choice program. Residents can pay money for renewable energy credits and a matching amount is set aside in an account for Medfield for future use (New England Wind Power; NSTAR-Green).

MEC will review NTAR's new bid for municipalities that seek help in implementing energy saving measures. Marie to talk to Penni about NSTAR programs and will follow up at next MEC meeting.

Next meeting Wednesday November 12 at 7:30. Location to be confirmed later.
Meeting adjourned at 9:10