Meeting Minutes of December 2, 2013, 6-6:55pm City Hall Room 207

Attendance: Fred Laskey, Bob Paine, Jon Hunt, Alicia Hunt, Curtis Tuden, Susan Altman, Rick Sacco, John Rogers, Elisabeth Krautscheid, Brett Sullivan, Kathleen McKenna, Jeff Goldsmith

1. Administration
   a. Approval of the Minutes of Nov 4, 2013
      -approved with addition of Kathleen McKenna to Idle-Free Medford subcommittee.
   b. New Chair discussion
      -tabled until January meeting.
   c. Confirm meeting dates for 2014
      -approved as attached.

2. Energy Efficiency & Energy Conservation – no items

3. Renewables
   a. Mass Energy Boot Camp Update (Jon)

4. Planning & Policy/Cross Mission - Mission
   -offered explanation of MA energy programs.
   -offered lessons in energy public relations.
   -massenergy.org/bootcamp

Jon explained how Mass Energy’s Green Up Charge allows residents to “green” their electricity by paying for RECs, and Mass Energy’s RECs all fund Massachusetts and New England renewable energy projects. The Medford Energy Committee is discussing promoting the Green Up program, which is also an alternative to companies such as Viridian and Just Energy. Alicia will get more information from the City Solicitor about referral programs and the committee and we will discuss this at the next meeting, after more members have attended the bootcamp.

4. Planning Policy & Cross Mission
   a. Recycling Update

   -new intern has been hired & met with mayor about expanding recycling in business districts.

5. Admin & Communication – no items

6. New Business – no items

7. Adjourn

Action items –
- Alicia, Kathleen & Susan will attend the Mass Energy Bootcamp on December 11, 2013
- Alicia will consult with the City Solicitor about the ability of the Energy Committee to take a referral fee from Mass Energy

Active Committees:
- Idle Free Medford: Jon Hunt, Elisabeth Krautscheid, Kathleen McKenna
- Recycling: Susan Altman, Kathleen McKenna, Alicia Hunt

Inactive Committees:
- Green Awards: Jeff Goldsmith, Elisabeth Krautscheid, John Rogers, Kathleen McKenna, Alicia Hunt
- Harvest Your Energy: Alicia Hunt, Curtis Tuden, Jeff Goldsmith, Brett Sullivan, Elisabeth Krautscheid, Bob Paine, Susan Altman

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November 27, 2013
Honorable Michael J. McGlynn,
85 George Hassett Drive
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Dear Mayor McGlynn,

As a follow-up to our conversation, I hereby formally submit my resignation as a member of the Medford Energy Committee. When you appointed me three years ago and asked that I serve as chairman, your sense of urgency and commitment was clear - get the committee up and running in a hurry. Now, three years later, I am confident that mission is being accomplished by the group of dedicated, intelligent, and enthusiastic volunteers who serve the City of Medford with distinction as members of the Medford Energy Committee.

The Committee’s accomplishments are many and including major initiatives like the annual Harvest Your Energy Fair, the Medford Green Awards, the Earth Day Ceremony and activities, the Solarize Medford program, and the MAPC Local Energy Action Plan selection, just to mention a few. Committee members participated in numerous educational activities by staffing tables at local activities, writing and maintaining a blog and webpage, producing a cable show, and attending various conferences and educational forums. We even purchased voltage meters that are available for the public to borrow at
Medford Public Library. The committee’s dedication and hard work is making Medford a better place to live and work.

I would be remiss if I didn’t offer my thanks to the staff in the Office of Energy and Environment, Carey and Alicia. I also compliment your immediate staff members, Mary, Linda, and Addie who represent you and the City well.

In closing, I thank you for your leadership and for giving me the opportunity to serve on this important committee. It has been an honor to serve the City and to work with such a great group of volunteers.

Sincerely,
Frederick A. Laskey

Medford Energy Committee
Meeting Dates 2014

The Medford Energy Committee will meet on the 1st Monday of each month in City Hall Room 201 at 6PM, except as noted.

January 6, 2014
February 3, 2014
March 3, 2014
April 7, 2014
May 5, 2014
June 2, 2014
July 7, 2014
August 4, 2014
September 8, 2014 *
October 6, 2014
November 3, 2014
December 1, 2014

*September meeting is 2nd Monday of the month due to holiday

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