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Medford Energy Committee  
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**Medford Energy Committee Agenda  
December 1, 2014, 6PM  
City Hall Room 201**

Kathleen McKenna, Jonathan Hunt, Bob Paine, Barry Ingber, Luke McKneally, Curtis Tuden, Cathy Young, Alicia Hunt; late: Laurretta James, John Rogers, Sergi Valme

1. Administration

- Approval of the Minutes of November 3, 2014 meeting 6:08
- Election for position of Chair – Cathy was re-elected
- Everyone is thrilled that Hayley will continue to take minutes at our meetings.

2. Update on 2014 Active Subcommittees

- 2014 Subcommittee Status Updates:
  - a) Education - (Tuden) - didn't meet
  - b) Recycling (McKenna, McKneally) – met in the reference section of the library, Caroline, Kathleen, Linda, Cathy, Susan. Talked about a potential residential compost program – matching people who have stuff to compost and people who need it. Talked about the textile recycling. Susan would like to know where it all ends up. They would like to visit the recycling sorting facility where Medford's recycling goes. Discussed how to increase the diversion rates in Medford. Cathy has a good example of what can be recycled from EPA offices. They want to do positive encouragement to recycle. They are interested in learning more about the movement to incentive people to not use plastic bags – the Sierra Club is coordinating that in MA. What about a campaign to use the tap/not drink bottled water. Information about costs?
  - c) Green Awards - (Young)
  - d) Harvest Your Energy - (A. Hunt)
  - e) Alternative Energy Park – (Young) - discussed ideas from what they had last time, solar house, solar panels, green house, something with the river. The two items the committee can work on is the solar building and the wind turbine. John has made a mockup of having educational information wrapped around the turbine. Wonderful. The bus wraps he is recommending to use around the turbine is highly recyclable vinyl. He'd like to have a competition for student generated art. Next step is for John to meet with the Mayor to discuss between Christmas & New Years. John will get a ball park of how much it would cost. Solar building, now thinking of as a Welcome Center. Curtis will share the google doc with these ideas to the whole committee.

3. Planning & Policy/Cross-Mission

- LEAP – Review list of goals and update for 2014 (Young, McKneally)

4. General Outreach & Communication

- Update on MEC participation in December 3 Annual City Holiday Celebration - Curtis will arrive between 3 and 4 to setup, Cathy will also staff table. Alicia will provide crayons, coloring books, Coloring books, light display from John Rogers; Denis & Hayley will be here to have office open as necessary and to put stuff afterwards.

5. New Business

6. Adjourn

7:00

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**MEC mission: To promote policies and actions that improve energy efficiency, encourage conservation, and increase the use of renewable energy to meet our present needs while considering future generations of the Medford community.**