

ANN ARBOR ENERGY COMMISSION - MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

June 12, 2007
City Council Chambers – 2nd floor of City Hall
5:30 – 7:30 pm

AGENDA

- I. Approval of Minutes
- II. Public Input
- III. Energy Report - Energy News from the Energy Office, and Commission Members
- IV. Ann Arbor LED Pilot Program – Mike Bergren, Dave Konkle
- V. Utility Re-Regulation Discussion
 1. Don Keske, Attorney for Detroit Edison Intervention
 2. Bob Nelson, former MPSC Commissioner
 3. James Cliff, Policy Director - Michigan Environmental Council
 4. DTE ?
- VI. DTE Rate Case Update – David Wright
- VII. Green Fair Planning
- VIII. Update on Ann Arbor Energy Award Program – Jason Bing
- IX. Ann Arbor Energy Plan Update Project
- X. Update on 5,000 Solar Roofs
- XI. Future Meeting Planning
- XII. Other Business / Public Input – Limited to 10 minutes maximum
- XIII. Adjourn

Energy Commission Cable Viewing Times:

Live on CTN 16. Replays: Wed. 6/13 at 10 p.m.; Thurs. 6/14 at 10 a.m.; Sun. 6/17 at 2 p.m.

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ANN ARBOR ENERGY COMMISSION – MEETING MINUTES May 8, 2007

Council Chambers
City Hall 5:30-7:30 PM

Attendees: Robert Black – Chair, Wayne Appleyard, Bill Verge, Kurt Brandle, Stephen Miller, David Wright, Chuck Hookham, Jason Bing, Erica Briggs, John Hieftje – Mayor Staff Support David Konkle, Andrew Brix, Logan Winston

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for April were approved.

Public Input

David Collins – Owns a solar water heater and really likes it. System came from Richard Orwick

Tony DeLacey – Local solar energy installer.

Richard Orwick – Statewide solar water heater provider preparing to offer a state-wide loan program for solar collectors. Recommends local incentive of \$1,000 per system. Suggested Ann Arbor work to host American Solar Energy Association annual meeting in three years.

Energy News

Erica reminded people it is “Curb Your Car Month” .

Chuck informed members of upcoming Energy Michigan meeting and said he could get someone in free if interested.

Jason Bing reported that there will be a “Energy Efficiency for Homebuilders” workshop on June 8

Wayne read a quote from Governor Granholm saying we should follow Germany’s example for renewable energy.

Dave announced that the City, in partnership with Clean Energy Coalition, had been awarded a CMAQ grant to install 6 biofuel facilities in Washtenaw County.

Update on Ann Arbor Energy Award Program

Jason distributed a draft of the “Energy Challenge Awards” and requested feedback from Commission members

Earth Day Report – Green Fair Planning

Robert reported that the Earth Day Festival on Sunday, April 23rd at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens was a great success. Robert and Dave set up and manned an Energy Commission booth, handed out materials on the Energy Challenge and had many interesting conversations.

The Mayor's Green Fair will be on Friday, June 15th. The Energy Commission will have a display. Members are encouraged to provide ideas for handouts, activities, whatever, and to help staff the display.

5000 Solar Roofs Update

Wayne reported that the Go Solar Ann Arbor has 20 systems signed up for this year. Jason and Wayne are working with 2 interns to the EnHouse to further the solar mapping project. Wayne will be presenting the 5000 Solar Roofs projects at the annual American Solar Energy Society Conference in Cleveland in July.

DTE Rate Case Intervention

David Wright introduced the question on whether the City of Ann Arbor should intervene in the upcoming Detroit Edison rate case starting in June. After much discussion, two resolutions were approved by the Energy Commission:

Resolution that the members of the Ann Arbor Energy Commission will move forward to support intervention in the Detroit Edison rate case to encourage the establishment of a long-term fixed-rate renewable energy tariff provided that no City funds are required.

Resolution that the Ann Arbor Energy Commission strongly recommends that the Ann Arbor City Council approve intervention in the Detroit Edison rate case to encourage the creation of a new long-term fixed-rate renewable energy tariff for electric customers.

Mayor Hieftje will submit a resolution to Council for the May 21 Council meeting.

Ann Arbor Energy Plan Updated

Chuck, Bill Robert, Wayne and David Wright volunteered to work on this at the April meeting. There was no progress to report.

Future Meeting Planning

Ideas were discussed about topics for future meetings. These included:

- Have meeting discussions for each of the Energy Plan sections, like
 - Transportation and Land Use,
 - Building Retrofit,
 - New Construction,
 - Renewable Energy,
 - Promotion and Education and
 - Municipal Operations.

- An Update on the Pay-As-You-Save Program

- Report from the Development Design Guidelines committee

- Plan an Ann Arbor Energy Town Hall Meeting

- Report on the A2D2 (Ann Arbor Developing Downtown) premiums

Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm