

Portland Clean Energy Task Force
And Portland Board of Selectmen Energy Sub Committee
Joint Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 18th, 2009, 6:30 pm
Van Beynum Room, Portland Public Library

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Meeting called to order at 6:39PM. In attendance: Andy Bauer, Joanne Luppi, Fran Schoell, Lou Pear, Colby Gauthier, John Trocciola, Chris Phelps, Carl Chudzik and Brian Flood. Rob Peterson also in attendance.
- II. APPROVE APRIL MINUTES
Motion to approve April minutes made by John, 2nd by Fran, approved unanimously.
- III. APPROVE AGENDA
Motion to approve agenda made by Joanne, 2nd by Colby, approved unanimously.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
- V. CT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES ENERGY EFFICIENCY – DISCUSSION OF AND VOTE TO RECOMMEND PROGRAM TO PORTLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
CCM could perform benchmarking and an energy assessment for any and all town/school buildings at no cost to the town.
Detailed Energy Audits could follow, the details of which would be negotiated between Portland and Siemens with CCM acting as Portland’s advocate.
The point was made that contracting with CCM/Siemens is a separate issue from the stimulus funding available to the Town. Stimulus funding would require an application for whatever project the BOS/BOE decide to apply it to.
Motion by Chris, 2nd by John that “The Clean Energy Task Force and the BOS Energy Sub-Committee recommend to the full Board of Selectmen we use the CT Conference of Municipalities to conduct a preliminary energy audit of town facilities at no financial cost to the town”, approved unanimously.
- VI. CLEAN ENERGY OPTION MAILINGS WITH TOWN TAX BILLS
Sterling Planet, our clean energy provider, has offered Clean Energy sign up flyers that can be inserted into town to resident correspondence. The consensus was that tax bills might not be the best venue, but that sending the flyers with school newsletters (since the Valley View school is the beneficiary of this effort) might be a better avenue. Chris will look into that.
- VII. OTHER DISCUSSION
All agreed that the Valley View Solar Array presentation on 5/7 was a good time had by all. It is unfortunate that no press were in attendance.

Rebecca Meyer has presented twice at the Senior Center on energy efficiency and has also looked at Chatham Court and Quarry Heights as candidates for the WRAP program (energy efficiency and insulation installation). Her efforts are most appreciated.

VIII. ADJOURN
Motion to adjourn at 7:35 PM.