

**TOWN OF FAIRFAX
CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE (CAC)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

DATE, TIME, PLACE:

Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 7:00 PM, Fairfax Community Center

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

Regular Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

CAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Bruce Ackerman (Community); Secretary Cassidy DeBaker, (GPIC); Vice Chair Jody Timms (Community); Kiki La Porta (Community); Jennifer Hammond (Community); and David Haskell (Community).

CAC MEMBERS ABSENT: Barbara Coler (Mayor)

GUESTS: None

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETING/OLD BUSINESS:

- All CAC subcommittees to meet in December and prepare to share at next meeting.
- Send bio, photo, and top two favorite carbon reduction actions to Jen.
- Kiki to draft a “vision” statement for the CAC website.
- Kiki to add images to the Meter PowerPoint for Town Hall (add meeting time).
- Bruce to contact Ben Choi about Fairfax/MCE banner over SFD Blvd.
- Jody to contact Sustainable Fairfax about CAC tabling at the Winter Craft Fair in the pavilion on December 12 (see if Allyson is available).
- Bruce will continue to table at the Fairfax Sunday Farmers Market in November and December.
- David to speak with Mark Lockaby about residential solar systems (possibly sending a thank you letter from CAC to folks who have installed solar).
- David to draft recommendations regarding green building standards for the Town of Fairfax/consult with Mark Lockaby.
- Future discussion point is why it costs more to retrofit an existing building to green building standards than to construct a new building?
- Future discussion point is to talk with Fairfax Liaisons to RVDS (Rene Goddard and John Reed) about MCE.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Chair B. Ackerman called the meeting to order at 7:11PM.
- Approved November 10, 2015 Agenda with reorganizing item numbers.

2. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

- Approved August and October 2015 Meeting Minutes with no changes.

3. REPORT ON WEBSITE

- Jen still needs bio, photo, and top two favorite carbon reduction actions from committee members.
- Kiki to work on vision statement for website-focus on a statement of purpose and citizenry.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kiki requested that CAC secretary (Cassidy) email a bullet list of action items to CAC members promptly following the meeting to remind members about tasks and responsibilities for next meeting.
- Subcommittees will meet in December. There will be no regular CAC meeting in December.
- Jenn shared a link to the Cool California Challenge: City vs. City water and energy showdown. To join a team in Fairfax visit myenergytool.mceCleanEnergy.org.
- Upcoming Resilient Neighborhood Fairfax meeting to be held in January. Need help publicizing event.
- Jody mentioned a recent article in Rolling Stone with an interview with Bill McKibben (she will email a link to the article).
- David discussed possibly reaching out to Mark Lockaby (town building inspector) regarding the number of residential solar systems installed in town, and perhaps send a thank you/recognition letter on behalf of CAC to individual residents who installed solar.
- Bruce to check on an email that was sent to him from Allison (MCE) regarding the approval of a specific graphic (Bruce will confirm what was approved).

5. FAIRFAX METER REPORT

- Bruce prepared a series of PowerPoint slides for the monitor in Town Hall (and confirmed with Garrett that it is available to CAC) -the slides will be considered a modest first effort to display the Fairfax Meter.
- Kiki suggested adding graphics to the slides-she is willing to work on “dressing up” the slides for public display-and add Deep Green MCE images.
- Cassidy suggested that the regular meeting time is added to slides.
- CAC agreed that the context can be updated at a later time but it was important to get the slides up on the display while the opportunity has been offered.
- Bruce has been in correspondence with Ben Choi (MCE) regarding MCE reports on Deep Green, Light Green enrollment in Town.
- Kiki mentioned that MCE has some new graphics (e.g., Marin IJ) and it would be good to ask for those images to include on our handouts.
- Bruce to check in about the MCE banner across SFD Blvd (so far it has not been seen up).
- CAC working to achieve our goal of 100 new households to Deep Green.

6. STATUS OF LED STREETLIGHT CONVERSION

- Cassidy and Bruce attended the Town Council meeting in October to support the Town Mangers (Garret Toy) and Mayors (Barbara Coler) report on retrofitting streetlights with LED fixtures and participating in PG&E program to manage and finance the retrofit project. The Council was responsive to the idea but requested more information regarding the financing details, LED fixture and lumen options, and PG&E input/participation. Garret will come back next month with updates for the council. Cassidy and Bruce will follow-up with Garret and offer assistance, as needed.

7. MCE DEEP GREEN ENROLLMENT UPDATE/TABLING

- December 12th is the Fairfax Craft Faire hosted by Sustainable Fairfax. CAC would like to have a booth from 11-5pm and Jody will email a sign up list and confirm there is space (Bruce and Jody are on the Tabling Subcommittee).
- Climate march in Oakland on November 21 and another at the HUB in San Anselmo on November 29.
- Jody to set up tabling at Good Earth in January 2016.
- Other locations to table: Fairfax Lumber, Fairfax Market, Iron Springs, School Events.
- Need to assemble a tabling kit that can be easily shared and transported amongst members.
- Consider having business cards made for CAC members.
- Need to develop a system for having a mailing list.
- Kiki can create a QR code to access committees URL.

8. PUBLIC EXPRESSION AND UPDATES

- See Announcements above.

9. NEXT CAC MEETING

- The next CAC meeting will be on the regular date of the second Tuesday of the month, January 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at the Fairfax Community Center.
- There will be no meeting in December 2015.

10. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED by Cassidy DeBaker, CAC Secretary

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Draft minutes were emailed to: CAC members

Approved minutes will be emailed to: CAC members and Michele Gardner