

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

DATE, TIME, PLACE:

Tuesday, March 8, 2016, 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); Jennifer Hammond (Community); David Haskell (Community); and Barbara Coler (Town Council).

CAC MEMBERS ABSENT: Kiki La Porta (Community)

GUESTS: Grace Durante, Regional Outreach Manager, Rising Sun Energy Center

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

- Each member to share their top three (3) ERM's in the CAP
- Add updated Action Plan to agenda for next meeting
- D. Haskell to draft Town ordinance to ban organic material from landfill disposal
- Allison presenting at April Town Council Meeting

Old Business:

- Bruce to contact "The Pause" and investigate grant opportunities related to the Meter.
- David, Bruce, and Kiki (Meter subcommittee) to research existing digital photo frames and tablets/screens in businesses to display CAC/Meter data.
- Bruce to contact Fx Volunteers asking for inclusion in an emailing
- D. Haskell 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 participation.
- David to speak with Mark Lockaby about residential solar systems (possibly sending a thank you letter from CAC to folks who have installed solar).

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Chair B. Ackerman called the meeting to order at 7:08PM.
- Approved March 8, 2016 Agenda with minor renumbering items

2. PUBLIC EXPRESSION AND UPDATES

- Grace Durante from Rising Star Energy Center (RSEC) spoke about their Green Home Services program. When you sign up for a Green House Call, two trained youth Energy Specialists will be sent to your home to check for resource conservation opportunities, install new equipment to help you save energy, water, and money, and give you personalized recommendations for even more savings. You can receive this service every five years.
- RSEC received 45 Green House Calls from Fairfax residents in 2015
- RSEC goal for 2016 is to service 500 residents in Marin County.
- Ways CAC can help support Rising Star:
 - Word of mouth, sponsorship, attend events, tabling, CAC to create a subcommittee to coordinate with Grace.
- RSEC will replace up to 4 LED in your home and the rest with CFL.
- D. Haskell would like CAC to prepare an ordinance/resolution that bans organics from landfill/waste and reinforces the Town's zero waste goals. CAC unanimously supports this idea and would like to facilitate the Town with this effort: *require all persons located in Fairfax to separate their recyclables, compostables and landfilled trash.*
- D. Haskell to draft Town ordinance for CAC review to ban organic material from landfill disposal.
- C. DeBaker to send all approved meeting minutes to Michele Gardner so that the website meeting minutes are current.

3. MCE DEEP GREEN ENROLLMENT

- Town website to link to Go Green Get Green Fairfax – an Incentive Program to Help 100 Fairfax Households Pay for 100% Renewable Energy
- CAC to post the incentive program on Next-door (need to get approval from Garrett)
- Town to reimburse CAC for small table sign (under \$50.00).

4. COMMITTEE PRIORITIES FOR NEXT YEAR

- Continue at next regular meeting
- Each member to share their top three (3) ERM's in the CAP
- Add updated Action Plan to agenda for next meeting

5. REPORT ON WEBSITE

- Website is live and can be accessed at www.climatefx.org/
- \$90.00 per year for the website
- Need to prepare a budget request for the Town (Town budget meeting is May 20th)

6. FAIRFAX METER REPORT AND PROPOSAL ACTION

- B. Ackerman fixed the Meter PowerPoint in Town Hall and it is once again active
- Would be good to add a new metric to the Meter to capture Rising Star Energy Center and the Green House Calls.

7. STATUS OF LED

- Town staff is still waiting on PG&E to provide details on the LED Street Light Program and the LED Street Light Turnkey Replacement Service.

8. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINTUES

- Postponed approval of January and February 2016 Meeting Minutes until April meeting.

9. NEXT CAC MEETING

- The next CAC meeting will be on the regular date of the second Tuesday of the month, April 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at the Fairfax Community Center.

10. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED by Cassidy DeBaker, CAC Secretary

DISTRIBUTION:

Draft minutes were emailed to: CAC members

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