

Marshfield Energy and Climate Change Committee  
Plainfield Energy Group  
Notes of 3/14/11 Meeting

Recorded by Joel Trupin

Meeting called to order 6:45 PM, chairman Richard Phillips presiding.

Attending: Rich Phillips, John Morris, Edward Hutchinson (Plainfield), Bob Atchinson (Plainfield) and Joel Trupin,

The minutes of the meeting of 14 Feb 2011 were not available for distribution and will be approved at the next meeting.

Changing our meeting time was discussed. It was decided to meet henceforth on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM, pending agreement of members not present.

Rich Phillips referred to the new law described at the Regional Networking meeting re: what goes into a town energy plan, and the need to reconcile our plan with the statute. Dan, Ann and Rich, named as a subcommittee to work on this, will meet and decide whether we will revise the current draft or send it forward to the planning commission as is.

Ann, Dan and Rich, constituting a subcommittee to work on the Resident Engagement project, have not met. We discussed the need to involve more people and seek more input on the projects and priorities the Committee should pursue. We decided that the subcommittee should meet and Bob or Ed or both should join that meeting to brainstorm ideas for the project.

Plainfield energy team: Plainfield has some funds to spend on projects not yet defined. They must be spent before the end of the fiscal year.

Energy projects presently under consideration or underway

Twinfield school (underway)

Resident engagement project (beginning)

Weatherization project (underway - needs to be publicized)

LEDs in Village--- Town fathers to walk around town, turn off lights not needed

Twinfield Project Update:

The project is proceeding on two tracks:

- 1) Whole School Energy Challenge---- this process will train students in energy matters, set energy reduction goals, develop a plan and implement it.
- 2) Facilities energy review and corrective recommendations

Rich and Bob are involved in both tracks. Two organizational meetings have been held to decide how to proceed overall. A third meeting focused solely on the facilities track. An immediate issue is the fact that the roofs will be replaced and the opportunity exists for adding insulation. To date this possibility has not been evaluated. In the near future there will be a facilities tour and a review of recommendations made after an earlier energy assessment by a statewide school energy manager.

Our next meeting is Mon, 4 April 7:00 PM (barring objections of members not present).

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.