

City of Cambridge
CLIMATE PROTECTION ACTION COMMITTEE

Minutes

June 13, 2013
City Hall Annex

Present: Quinton Zondervan (chair), Jackie Cefola (vice chair), Milton Bevington (secretary), Betsy Boyle, Peter Crawley, Janet Curtis, Jan Dillon, Johanna Jobin, Ted Live, Lauren Miller, David Rabkin, Keren Schlomy, Terrence Smith; *staff:* Susanne Rasmussen, Bronwyn Cooke, John Bolduc

Guests: Paula Phipps, Franziska Amacher, Sue Butler

ETP Update

- Hubway: Porter Square station launching and a station to be set up near City Hall Annex soon.
- Biking: Got a gold rating from the League of American Bicyclists, with a bike score of 92.
- HEET: 10 installations so far with the Solar Challenge; aiming for forty by August end of challenge.
- Ecodistrict: City of Cambridge and MIT staff traveled to Portland, OR for an ecodistrict incubator that included eight cities from around the country. Cambridge is planning an ecodistrict for Kendall Square.
- Transit: the Transit Committee has been launched, has had two meetings so far and will continue to meet monthly.
- Sustainability Compact: Cambridge, MIT, and Harvard are involved, with eight additional signatories. A steering committee is being developed.
- Solar Permitting Guide -- now up on the City's web site.

Approval of Minutes - May 9, 2013 minutes approved by all.

Cambridge Climate Goals

- Bronwyn presented on CPAC climate goals with some recommendations on wording and structure changes (see Powerpoint presentation).
- John Bolduc suggested that we strip out the actions and metrics and just keep the goals and objectives to serve as a set of principles for the City to adopt. Then the document can serve as a framework for City agencies, stakeholders, and CPAC to consider and prioritize specific actions.
- Susanne Rasmussen reiterated that the goals would be very useful to get in front of the City Council and Manager.

- Lauren proposed that City staff strip out the doc in the next month, and that we vote on it at the next meeting to present to the City Manager. Janet Curtis seconded, and all said yes.
- Point of discussion for future meeting(s): when should the goals be presented to the City Council in light of upcoming elections. Some felt it should be early 2014; others thought that it's irrelevant and that the goals should be presented in the fall.

School Curriculum

- We had a quick review of the latest draft recommendation; it was agreed that only minor changes were needed.
- Betsy Boyle proposed adoption of the letter; Janet Curtis seconded, and all said yes to the vote.
- It was decided that the letter would be sent to the superintendent of schools, and copied to the school council and city manager.

Notes by Betsy Boyle