

Broome County Energy Advisory Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 8, 2008

The Broome County Energy Advisory Board met on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members present: C. Burger (Chair), J. Garnar, D. Mastro, J Smigelski, A. Hertel, K. Kamlet, L. Platt, D. Heslin, K Bevelacqua, L. Stein, M. Pandich, L Roma, D. Cumming, A. LoDolce, R. Stiles, J. Holtzmaster, J. Gerty

The Board meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting began with the Board's approval of the previous meeting's minutes.

Report for Facilities Committee:

Sub-committee met on March 25th and decided that they must check on the availability of NYSERDA consultants before the Facilities Committee can fully report on recommendations. . The spread-sheets that this committee received are densely packed with information, some of which are extraneous or omitted in order to put into a succinct format. The list of recommendations for the Facilities Committee is currently in the editing process. Also, with respect to Johnson City's savings/performance contract, the Board has decided to wait for further options as there is an issue of funding in terms of private organizations and energy management. One additional item is that Mike Lynch was unable to obtain the state report from this past audit and will have to file a request under FOIL law. The information should be disclosed in 2 to 3 months.

Report for Transportation Committee:

There was a discussion regarding truck-stop electrification and the availability of possible grants to help fund this potential project. It was agreed that this alternative to diesel should be further looked into by Board and County. The Sub-committee met after the Board meeting to determine its members and chair(s)

Report for Energy Sources and Land Use Committee:

The Committee had not met since the last Board meeting as they are waiting to receive data from Resource Committee. There was a discussion about BCC's energy symposium scheduled for this fall and how this particular committee will be of assistance. The landfill's energy credits were passed- it was agreed that this was the best option for the County

Open Discussion:

Topics regarding grants were discussed, including the discussion of a comprehensive and long-term relationship with NYSERDA to establish credibility and identify, develop, and apply alternative/efficient strategies. It was also mentioned that City Council had passed a resolution with the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Program, including

incentive programs, retrofitting buildings, and low interest loan programs. There was a motion passed by the board to endorse this program.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.