

Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee

Chairman Politsch called the meeting of the Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee to order at 2:01 P.M., on January 5, 2010, at Alton City Hall, 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois.

Members Present: Darrell McGibany, Alderman David Boulds, Alderman Mick McCahill, and Chairman Wayne Politsch

Members Absent: Jeremy Mills, Zeke Jabusch, and Joel Schwaab

Staff and Guests: Matt Asselmeier

Darrell McGibany made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2009, meeting, seconded by Alderman David Boulds. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Politsch discussed getting more members on the Committee and inviting the City Engineer to a meeting.

Discussion occurred regarding touring the green subdivision near Bethalto.

Discussion occurred regarding the City of Florissant and LEED Building Codes. A suggestion was made to have a meeting with other committees from local Cool Cities.

Discussion occurred regarding the mission of the Committee, solar cells, energy tax credits, and the Evanston Climate Action Plan.

Discussion also occurred regarding solar panels on a small scale, like for a fountain and looking at Dale Kelley's research.

Alderman Boulds stated the light bulbs in City Hall are energy efficient. He would contact the Mayor and Peggy Voumard regarding green purchases.

Darrell McGibany talked about working with ConocoPhillips for start-up or matching grants. Discussion occurred regarding a workshop with efficiency in historical structures. ConocoPhillips was mentioned as a sponsor. Alderman Mick McCahill said that he would contact the Alton Landmarks Association for their input.

Chairman Politsch will check with Florissant, Edwardsville, and Lewis and Clark Community College regarding possible future meetings. Discussion also occurred regarding touring the National Great Rivers Research and Education Center.

Darrell McGibany will get an update from Cheryl Jouett regarding the County's plans.

Chairman Politsch adjourned the meeting at 3:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew H. Asselmeier, MPA