

**Sudbury, MA, Energy and Sustainability Green Ribbon Committee
Meeting Minutes June 18, 2010**

OPENING:

A meeting of the *Energy and Sustainability Green Ribbon Committee* was opened by Chairman Bill Braun at 8:10am on June 18th, 2010 at the Town of Sudbury DPW Building Conference Room.

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members	Attending
Rami Alwan	X
Jeffrey S. Beeler, Vice Chairman, Sudbury School Committee	X
William G. Braun, Chairman, Energy and Sustainability Committee	X
Dean Holden	X
Edward Lewis	X
Robert Morrison	X
Mark Sevier	X
Michael Melnick, Co-Chairman, Sudbury Permanent Building Committee	X
Building Inspector, Town of Sudbury	
James Kelly	X
Selectman liaison, Town of Sudbury	
Robert C. Haarde – Selectman, Town of Sudbury	

Meeting Agenda:

Discuss placement of BigBelly[®] trash containers, update on Noyes and Fairbank projects.

Green Community update:

The state DOER provides Green Communities with BigBelly[®] Solar Compactors. Sudbury has been offered three units. BigBelly[®] is a compacting trash receptacle that uses solar power for 100% of its energy needs. The compacting units have the footprint of an ordinary trash receptacle but have five times greater capacity. Increased capacity can reduce collection trips to cut fuel use and greenhouse gas emissions.

The Energy Committee voted unanimously to recommend the town accept the three BigBelly[®] trash compactors and to request them with the recycling option (non-compacting unit(s) that attach to the compactor and are set up to take only cans and bottles or paper.)

The committee recommends the units initially be placed at LSRHS, Curtis Middle School and Haskell Field for evaluation.

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Example photo (from the BigBelly[®] Solar website) of a BigBelly[®] Solar Compactor with bottle / can recycling unit– this may or may not be the configuration provided to Sudbury.

Noyes Solar project: (Clean Energy Choice funds)

The committee had significant discussion revolving around the applicability of rebates for the Noyes solar project, the process to apply for them, how they might affect the project scope, and how to continue to conform to all applicable public procurement laws.

The group is unanimous in the goal to maximize the amount of solar that can be safely installed for this project. This will be done by working to obtain all Clean Energy Choice funds available to Sudbury and applying all applicable rebates to the project. The group has an installation complete target of August 20th 2010.

ACTIONS:

Mark to contact vendor to discuss / assist / manage the rebate process with the goal of having those funds cover the procurement and installation of additional panels. When the potential rebate(s) and Clean Choice Energy funds are understood the Energy committee will interface with appropriate PBC / town / school personnel to process any required paperwork.

Jeff to update school / school committee personnel with the Noyes project status.

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**Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant – Fairbank Road Community Center
Solar project:**

An energy committee subgroup, led by Bob Morrison, is working closely with Sudbury's Permanent Building Committee and town officials to get this project underway. The *Request for Designer Services* design solicitation has been written and is going thru the appropriate public procurement channels including being published in the June 17th edition of *The Sudbury Town Crier*.

Meeting schedules:

- **The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 29th 7:30pm at the DPW building conference room.**

Scheduled meeting dates - all 7:30 PM, DPW Building Conference Room

- June 29th
- July 20th
- August 17th
- September 21st

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Edward Lewis, 29 June 2010