

CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE
SOUTH PORTLAND ENERGY & RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2013

Call to order - 6:00pm

In attendance

- Todd Erickson - District 2
- Peter Wilson - At Large
- Sabrina Dalton - District 4
- Brian Wallace - District 5
- Robert (Bob) Foster - At Large
- Heather Valley - District 4 Associate
- Jessica Williams - Associate
- Doug Howard - City liaison
- Mike

Green Minute: Garbage to Garden

- Caitlin Milliken, Marketing Director, of Garbage to Garden presented their weekly curbside compost pickup program.
 - Compost all food waste including meat, dairy and bones on trash day.
 - You can receive a clean 6 gallon bin each will and request compost delivery at no charge
 - Garbage to Garden is currently brainstorming with South Portland
 - There are 700 participants
 - They cater any capacity for events
 - They offer volunteer opportunities
 - more info at <http://garbagetogarden.org/>

Old Business:

- Acceptance of January's minutes:
 - Motion made by Brian
 - Second by Bob
 - All in favor
- Formation of sub-committees and responsibilities:
 - Communications/Public Relations
 - Business Development (Events)

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- All agreed that the Committee will benefit from the formation of the sub-committees.
- Sub-Committees will be responsible for the newsletter to avoid last minute fire drills (flyer), increased communication with South Portland and events to include and educate the community.
- We also discussed the possibility of an ERC sponsored South Portland fest day to highlight energy savings, recycling, composting and local vendors.
- Motion to form Business Development Committee
 - Motion made by Todd
 - Second by Bob
 - All in favor
- Updates about the Portland Pipeline and Tar Sands Oil:
 - March 11th workshop at 6:00 at the Community Center
 - Bob shared article from Portland Press Herald on February 19, 2013
 - Our role is to gather information to direct the public in unbiased direction.
- Discussion regarding Carbon Action Plan-Phase II
 - Karen Purinton provided us with her Energy Action Plan Proposal
 - She wants us to provide any feedback or ideas to her
 - She is looking for guidance and financial incentives
 - Bob, Todd and Karen to discuss questions relating to CAP.
 - Anyone is free to join.

Membership Report and Updates:

- New members- Jessica Williams
- Bob report on Council, resignations, etc
 - Bob had to leave. Will put on Agenda for next meeting.

New Business :

- P/R, media, and education outreach plans
 - Ted is going to contact a teacher from South Portland to discuss collaboration between ERC and South Portland School System.
- Mike is going to bring in successful examples of programs for organics collection.
- Ted is going to work on a new Facebook page for ERC.
- At the next meeting, we will discuss dates, locations and ideas for the ERC event.

Adjournment - 7:30

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Next meeting: March 20, 2013