

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

South Portland Energy and Recycling Committee

Meeting Agenda

SEPTEMBER 16 , 2015

So. Portland Community Center

Large Conference Room

Call to order - 6:30 pm.

Committee

- Bob Foster - At Large (Beecher) Chair **Present**
- Clyde Barr - At Large (Beecher) **Absent**
- Jessica Williams - At Large (Blake) Secretary **Absent**
- Gregory Norton - At Large (Blake) **Present**
- Rita Thompson - District 1 **Present**
- Rich Crowley - District 1 **Present**
- Todd Erickson - District 2 **Absent**
- Melinda Timpf - District 2 **Absent**
- Stanley Cox - District 3 **Absent**
- William Fritzmeier - District 3 **Present**
- Eric Knutsen - District 4 Vice Chair **Present**
- Patrick Cyr - District 4 **Present**
- Michael Shutts - District 5 **Present**
- Vacant - District 5
- Julie Rosenbach - City Liaison **Present**
- Vacant - School Department Liaison

Old Business:

- Acceptance of July's minutes: **Motion to accept: Rita Thompson, seconded Michael Shutts. All in favor.**
- Updates on current workshop/City Council initiatives:**Julie Rosenbach - Single-use plastic bag ordinance has passed first reading at City Council and is scheduled for 2nd reading Sept. 21st. The ordinance is based on the Portland ordinance to decrease confusion for citizens and businesses. The ultimate goal is to encourage regional conformity in environmental**

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programs. Polystyrene ban is also up for 2nd reading on Sept. 21st. If passed by the City Council both ordinances will go into affect on March1, 2016. This will provide time for an educational outreach to the community and also allow business concerns to make necessary changes.

- Julie has scheduled three events to start the educational outreach process; these include a presentation at the Redbank Community Center, a Lunch & Learn with municipal employees and a 3-hour workshop for the general public at the Community Center.
- The proposed pesticide ordinance is currently being researched by a small city staff group with a Portland representative. The group is working to draft an ordinance that will bring the community together in achieving a sustainable and practical ordinance that will protect children, pets and the environment.
- Energy and Climate: On Tuesday Sept. 22, a mandatory pre-proposal site visit is scheduled to support the Solar Photovoltaic Project at Select City Facilities. Sealed bids have to be received at City Hall by Oct. 21,2015. The new Municipal Services Facility will be using Efficiency Maine Advanced Building Programs standards instead of LEED standards. Using this program allows the City to receive grant funding of \$90,000.

Membership Report and Updates:

Currently still looking for a new member from district 5 to fill the committee.

New Business:

Municipal Climate Action Plan:

- Project timeline: **Julie and Ben Lake ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH GHG Emissions Inventory.**
- Research subcommittees: **The committee has established four projects to start moving forward with the CAP.**

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- **What are the next goals after 2017?**
- **Identify grant sources and qualification requirements.**
- **What are other cities doing to engage business innovations?**
- **Presenting the data to engage more participation.**

The committee will be form two working groups to complete the research on the four projects. Groups 1. will deal with items 1 & 4, and group 2. will deal with items 2 & 3.

Adjournment - 8:10 PM by Mike Shutts, 2nd by Patrick Cyr, all in favor.

Next meeting: Wed., October 21, 2015 - Community Center