



City of Bethel

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA ENERGY COMMITTEE

Monday, November 3, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers, Bethel, AK

Members

Mary Weiss
Chair

Shari Neth
Vice Chair

Richard Robb

Jeff Sanders

Eddie Stanley

Alternate Members

Ex-Officio Member

Betsy Jumper

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. People to be Heard

IV. Approval of Agenda

-Agenda November 3, 2014

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes

-Regular Meeting September 8, 2014

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Update Alternative Energy Report

B. Municipal Solid Waste Gasification Findings

C. Consideration of becoming a member of Renewable Energy Alaska Project

D. Invite an AVEC Representative to November's Energy Committee Meeting

VII. New Business

A. Alternative Energy News & Ideas

VIII. Committee Member Comments

IX. Adjournment

Hi Shari,

Thanks for getting in touch! Our supporting organization category is fairly informal and really varies in terms of the type of financial support we get from organizations. Many of our supporting organizations are event sponsors, some we have outreach contracts with, others participate in our Tour Green program, and finally, some make a flat \$1,000+ donation to support our work.

How much would the Bethel Energy Committee like to be involved in REAP? You may want to consider becoming an organizational member. I'm attaching the membership form. For cities, the annual dues are \$300. Since we are in the second half of the year, dues for 2014 would be \$150, and then we typically send out dues notices for the next year in Nov/early Dec. Members are eligible to vote, run for the REAP board, etc. Supporting organizations can attend meetings as well.

REAP is currently facing some large cuts from our largest foundation funder, and we are more heavily relying on support from instate organizations, businesses, and individuals. Whatever option you choose, we would welcome your support and involvement. Our Rural Issues committee for example, would be a great place for you to participate. Or, the policy committee, to weigh in on statewide policy issues and initiatives.

Let me know if you need more info or want to talk on the phone with me or our Executive Director Chris Rose.

Thanks!

Courtney

Courtney Munson
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On Sep 29, 2014, at 5:27 PM, Shari Neth <shari.neth@gmail.com> wrote:

> Greetings!

> I am a member of the City of Bethel's Energy Committee. Our committee's role is to inform our city council of pertinent information regarding renewable energy, and to suggest possible options as appropriate.

> At the last committee meeting, I was given the task to find out more about REAP, whether or not cities can become a "supporting organization," and, if so, how we would go about it (with the approval of the City Council, of course). I checked the list of supporting organizations and did not find a single city as one of them.

> Additional information and your insights in regard to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

> Thank you!

> Qu yana!

> Shari Neth

REAP Organizational Membership

Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP) uses collaboration, education, training, and advocacy to achieve its mission of increasing the development of more renewable energy resources in Alaska. As an Organizational Member of REAP, you join a growing coalition of numerous and diverse entities that are working together to realize that mission. Organizational Members receive the following benefits:

- ▲ Discounted booth space at both the annual *Alaska Renewable Energy Fair* and *Business of Clean Energy in Alaska (BCEA) Conference*
- ▲ Discounted individual registration fees for your organization's employees at the *BCEA Conference*
- ▲ The opportunity to attend four quarterly board meetings, the annual REAP member retreat, and to network with a large group of energy stakeholders in Alaska's only renewable energy coalition
- ▲ The opportunity to run for a board seat at the annual meeting
- ▲ Your organization's website listed and linked on the REAP website
- ▲ Regular electronic correspondence providing the latest energy-related news and events around the state
- ▲ Membership in Alaska's leading renewable energy and energy efficiency education and advocacy organization

Organizational Membership Dues

REAP has three Organizational Member categories: Business, Utility, and Non-Profit/Educational Institution/Local Government. Business and Utility members pay annual dues according to the number of full time equivalent employees (FTEs) that they have *based in Alaska*. Non-Profits/Educational Institutions/Local Governments pay a flat rate regardless of the number of employees.

Business

Open to for-profit businesses, including independent power producers (IPPs)

\$300	<i>In-state</i> business with 1-9 FTE in Alaska
\$800	Business with 1-49 FTE in Alaska
\$1500	Business with 50-124 FTE in Alaska
\$3000	Business with 125-199 FTE in Alaska
\$5000	Business with 200+ FTE in Alaska

Utility

Open to investor-owned, cooperative, and municipal utilities

\$300	Utility with 1-15 FTE in Alaska
\$800	Utility with 16-49 FTE in Alaska
\$1500	Utility with 50-124 FTE in Alaska
\$3000	Utility with 125-199 FTE in Alaska
\$5000	Utility with 200+ FTE in Alaska

Non-Profit/Educational Institution/Local Government

Open to non-profit organizations (501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), or 501(c)(6)); colleges, universities and associated programs; school districts; and municipal governments

\$300	Flat rate
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Renewable Energy
Alaska Project

REAP Organizational Membership Application

Organization **Website**

Address **City** **State** **Zip**

1st Representative **Title**

Address (if different from above) **City** **State** **Zip**

Email **Phone**

2nd Representative* **Title**

Address (if different from above) **City** **State** **Zip**

Email **Phone**

Billing Contact (optional) **Email** **Phone**

My organization is a: **Business** **Based in Alaska? Select One:**
 Utility
 Non-Profit/Educational Institution/Local Government

My organization has full-time equivalent employees *based in Alaska*

My organization's REAP Organizational Member dues are / year**, based on the following chart:

Non-Profit/Educational Institution/Local Government	Business	Utility
\$300 Flat rate	\$300 <i>In-state</i> business with 1-9 FTE in Alaska	\$300 Utility with 1-15 FTE in Alaska
	\$800 Business with 1-49 FTE in Alaska	\$800 Utility with 16-49 FTE in Alaska
	\$1500 Business with 50-124 FTE in Alaska	\$1500 Utility with 50-124 FTE in Alaska
	\$3000 Business with 125-199 FTE in Alaska	\$3000 Utility with 125-199 FTE in Alaska
	\$5000 Business with 200+ FTE in Alaska	\$5000 Utility with 200+ FTE in Alaska

Dues Payment: **check enclosed** **send invoice** **call for credit card** (name/phone:)

Please mail completed form to REAP at 308 G Street, Suite 207, Anchorage, AK, 99501 or email to c.munson@realaska.org. Contact REAP Development Director Courtney Munson at 907-929-7770 x13 or c.munson@realaska.org if you have any questions about membership levels or benefits.

**Each member organization needs to specify two representatives. In the event that the primary representative is unable to attend board meetings, there needs to be a second representative that can attend and represent the organization. All REAP correspondence will be sent to both representatives.*

***New members joining in the first 6 months the year (January 1 – June 30) pay 100% of their annual dues. New members joining in the second 6 months of the year (July 1 – December 31) pay 50% of their annual dues.*

City of Bethel, Alaska

Energy Committee

September 8, 2014

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee held on September 8, 2014 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Conference Room, Bethel, Alaska.

Chair, Mary Weiss called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Compromising a quorum of the Committee, the following members were present for roll call:

Present: Mary Weiss
Shari Neth
Richard Robb
Jeff Sanders

Absent: Eddie Stanley

Ex-Officio members present were the following: Carole Jung

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Shari Neth	Motion to accept meeting agenda
SECONDED:	Jeff Sanders	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

V. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

MOVED:	Shari Neth	Motion to approve meeting minutes with the correction of Eddie Stanley's name being made
SECONDED:	Rick Robb	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on Alternative/Renewable Energy Report

Tabled until the next meeting 10/6/2014

B. Municipal Solid Waste Gasification

Tabled until the next meeting 10/6/2014

MOVED:	Shari Neth	Recommendation made to request of administration to research the concept of solid waste gasification and the cost associated with it and then report back to the energy committee.
SECONDED:	Rick Robb	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Discussion with John Sargent as he entered the meeting about research he had done in the past and asked him to revisit the concept, research again and present his findings to the committee at the next meeting

C. Consideration of becoming a member of Renewable Energy Alaska Project

Tabled until the next meeting 10/6/2014

Research being done on the cost of membership

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Alternative Energy News & Ideas

1. Recycling – NAC will send empty, sorted, crushed cans for recycling as back haul at no cost
2. Rural Alaska’s alternative power solutions: hybridizing, enhancing, supplanting diesel and wood article from Alaska Business Monthly
3. Build a file of articles in Energy Committee binder

B. Invite AVEC Representative to future Energy Committee Meeting

Discussion to ask Steven Gilbert from the Anchorage office to speak at the November 3rd Energy Committee meeting

VIII. COMMITTEE MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Mary Weiss

- Thanked Carole for stepping in and looks forward to next month's meeting

Shari Neth

- Thanked Carole for stepping in tonight

Jeff Sanders

- *could not make out from recording*

Rick Robb

- Will not be here for the October 6th meeting, information about a candidate for City Manager, and upcoming City Council elections

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Rick Robb, seconded by Jeff Sanders.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

All in favor, none opposed

Next meeting on Monday October 6, 2014

_____, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Recorder

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