

**MINUTES
CITY OF PLEASANTON
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT
January 27, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Committee on Energy and Environment was called to order at the hour of 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members: Mike McGinley, Thom Kato, Alyssa Goard, Howard Royer

Others: Daniel Smith, Thomas Fullam, Donna D'Abate, Craig Higgins

Absent: Mark Posson

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Meeting December 16, 2009– all in favor.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

1. Pleasanton E-Fair coordination Effort with Guest Speaker Bill Radulovich – Our plans were to coordinate an e-fair effort with the PUSD and secured the parks for April 18th; however, at the recent school board meeting, it was announced the anticipated reductions in personnel would include the core group for PUSD and therefore the fair would be cancelled this year. Unfortunately we would need this group in order to make this fair a success. We contacted Sandy from the Library and we told her it wasn't necessary for her to attend tonight's meeting but the Library is still on board with working on the speaker series (on April 14th and 28th) and offered to help us find lecture speakers. The Library is a popular venue so getting confirmed dates for a speaker series might be tough so these were the only dates available in April. Mike would still like to get together with Bill and the committee would like to discuss some ideas. Daniel will provide Mike with e-mail address for Bill. Daniel said we could have alternates for Earth Week at the Library if the group decided to do something like that.

2. March Lecture Program and Report from the Outreach Subcommittee – Alyssa sent out a summary this week and suggested we come up with suggestions for industry expert speakers. The Committee had a brainstorm session on possible speakers as follows:
 - Ben Santer from Lawrence Livermore Lab to talk about climate change.
 - Ron Stoltz, Livermore Valley Open Campus to discuss Advanced Transportation Excellence (IGate) for businesses and commercial.
 - Alyssa suggested possibly someone from Safeway
 - Jill Buck – Go Green
 - Dale Sarter – Berkeley

- Steve Pattmont – creator of the Go Ped
 - Jerry McNerny to speak on March 20th (first day of Spring).
 - Greenpoint rating system for residences to help you think about ways to take energy efficiency into account and get raided.
 - Possible PG&E rep to talk about solar energy star.
 - Managing water and water conservation
 - Food consumption. Donna will try to contact Alice Waters from Chez Panisse
 - Richard Messer, Director Peterson auto museum talking about CNG
3. Purchasing Policy Resolution – Mike and Craig created a one page resolution to ask staff to come up with a green purchasing policy. The purpose of this resolution is so that the City has a green purchasing policy to insure everything we buy is environmentally correct. We would like to eliminate the purchase of Styrofoam and buy paper cups even though it's not as cost effective and make the suggestion to the City Council as representatives of the City. We would also like to put recycling centers in each of our facilities to develop recycling. Craig and Mike to meet before the committee's next meeting and fine tune the resolution at the next meeting and vote on it in March and hopefully to Council in April. Daniel and Craig to put together a sample resolution and staff report to send to the Committee for review.
4. Climate Action Plan Update – Daniel advised that RFP's were due yesterday in which we received eight responses. Mike will sit in on the selection panel to review. We will be reviewing the proposals and trim down to top two or three. The interview panel will be Daniel, Craig, Mike and Janice Stern and this will go to Council to approve the contract. We should have no problem seeking a suitable match. By the end of this year, we should have a CAP finished. We will need to know if anyone from the committee has a conflict of interest with any of these companies.

MATTERS INITIATED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Daniel would like to explore the possibility of compressed natural gas for vehicles. The Fairgrounds is interested in putting in a fueling station and we would like to get your response and understand it a little better. For the agenda next month: staff report on purchasing policy, perspective speakers for the lecture series, lack of E-Fair (outreach report) and short CAP update.

Logo selection has not been decided yet. The group is still deciding on the final logo.

The next subcommittee will be decided via e-mail. Tips of the week were given to the Pleasanton Weekly for both February and March. Send your submissions to Daniel by the 15th.

REPORTS ON CONFERENCES/SEMINARS ATTENDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

The Next Energy and Environment meeting will be held on February 24th, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna D'Abate

