



## **MELROSE ENERGY COMMISSION Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, May 24, 2018, 7:25- 8:06 p.m.

Cassidy Conference Room, Melrose City Hall

**Attendees:** Tyler Ballew, Susan Baron, June Cuttino, Beth Delahajj, Kristi Heiman, Susan Murphy, Lisa Trimble

**Secretary:** Susan Baron

1. Welcome and introductions (Chair: Tyler Ballew)
2. April Meeting Minutes Approval- so approved.
3. Appropriations proceedings report (Kristi Heiman)
  - Kristi attended Appropriation Committee meeting on April 9th. The MEC request for \$2500 was approved.
  - Kristi presented listing of successful programs, community outreach and relaunching of website as contributing to this success.
4. Energy Manager Update (Martha Grover, submitted in advance)
  - Community Electricity Aggregation – Public review period is open, public hearing date is Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, City Hall Aldermanic Chamber
    - The proposal will go to public utilities for approval
  - The date for the Public Listening Session on the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness/Hazard Mitigation Plan process is Thursday, June 21 at 7:00 at the middle school cafeteria.
  - Need a PR volunteer to help push the new website out to the Mayor’s Blog, Facebook, papers, etc. to let people know it’s back and better than ever!
    - Tyler will send out email for volunteers
5. Solar Subcommittee update (Lori Timmerman and Jeff Doody, submitted in advance)
  - Lori was present for Resonant Energy presentation of three solar options to the Highlands Congregational Church on May 20<sup>th</sup>
    - They will be considering these in going forward
6. Net Zero Building Subcommittee update (Ellen Katz and David Bliss)
  - No update
7. Healthy Melrose wrap up (Susan Baron and Lisa Trimble)
  - Seemed to be successful.
  - Materials will need to be replaced due to water damage
8. Plans for MEC in FY19, committee leadership, overall direction.  
Several idea were discussed and will be reviewed at a larger meeting
  - Continue with monthly education programming
  - Outreach to surrounding communities
    - Have fall meeting of surrounding towns. This would be both social and educational.
    - Form larger group to approach state and local representatives and learn and support other’s initiatives
    - Note: Bobby C’s often has nights specific to certain groups

- Possible election of a chairman
- Review the past meeting goals and committees
  - Revisit subcommittees and how to go forward
  - Education, transportation, young people involvement.
  - Net Zero public safety building
    - (Building codes are set at State level)
- Pick up pace of change
- Prepare for Victorian Fair

9. Chair and agenda for next MEC meeting: Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Lisa Trimble will chair June 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting

*Future events of interest:*

- June 16 - Melrose Recycling Event: Odds & Ends (see website for details), 8 am – 12 pm, City Yard, 72 Tremont St
- June 21 7:00pm: Public Listening Session on the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness/Hazard Mitigation at the middle school cafeteria.
- June 30 – Melrose Recycling Event: Hazardous Waste Day; Partnering with Stoneham

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**Upcoming 2018 MEC Meetings**

4th Thursday of the month at 7:15 pm  
 June 28, July 26, NO AUGUST Meeting, September 27, October 25, November 15,  
 NO DECEMBER Meeting  
 City Hall, Cassidy Conference Room (except November meeting which is TBD)