MELROSE ENERGY COMMISSION Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 22 2018, 7:15pm – 9:00 pm  Beebe Center, Melrose, MA

Attendees: Tyler Ballew, David Bliss, June Cuttino, Jeff Doody, Rodney Dowell, David Fink, Martha Grover, Doug Harriott, Kristi Heiman, Ellen Katz, Gary Lamothe, Susan Murphy, Barbara Simko, Lori Timmerman, Lisa Trimble
Guests: Craig Foley, Julie De Lillo, Tom Beides
Secretary: Susan Baron

1. **Welcome and Introduction**: June Cuttino (president pro temp)
   
   **Presentation by Conor McGuire on Net Zero Buildings**

2. **Review & approve minutes**: *So Approved*

3. **Move to vote to approve new member**:
   - Rodney Dowell nominated for membership - *So Approved*

4. **Solar sub-committee update** (Jeff & Lori)
   - Met with Highlands Congregational Church (CC) pastor and interested member. They are reviewing church solar installation
   - Met with Resident Energy to review offering options

5. **MCAN Local Environmental Action 2018 Conference 2018: March 3rd** (Lori)
   
   Lori, Gary, and Lisa attended this conference
   
   - Attended useful workshops and encouraged others to attend next year
   - Useful to see what other cities doing to be Net Zero
     - Lexington hired a Net Zero consultant who developed plan

6. **Heathy Melrose** (Susan B)
   
   - Discussed theme of transportation: Electric Vehicles and new bicycle options
   - Net Zero – perhaps give ideas of what this will look like.
   - Will meet with Lisa Trimble and David Bliss
     - Keep Rodney from Transportation subcommittee in loop

7. **Trivia Bee** (March 24th)
   
   MEC team will participate.

8. **Legislation** (David Bliss)
   
   State omnibus bill is not very favorable to climate change initiatives

**Select Chair and agenda for next MEC meeting**: Thursday, April 26th Gary Lamothe

**Upcoming Events**
- March 24 – Pop Up Farmer’s Market, 1 pm – 4 pm, Gymnasium at the Melrose YMCA
- April 21 – Melrose Recycling Event: Paper Shredding & Motor Oil/Gas/Antifreeze, 8 am – 12 pm, City Yard, 72 Tremont St
- May 12 – Healthy Melrose – 10 am – 1:30 pm, Melrose Athletic Complex, 360 Lynn Fells Parkway
• May 19 – Melrose Recycling Event: Plastic Bag Collection & Styrofoam®, 8 am – 12 pm, City Yard, 72 Tremont St
• June 16 - Melrose Recycling Event: Odds & Ends (see website for details), 8 am – 12 pm, City Yard, 72 Tremont St
• June 30 – Melrose Recycling Event: Hazardous Waste Day; Partnering with Stoneham

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MEC Meetings in 2018
4th Thursday of the month at 7:15 pm
City Hall, Cassidy Conference Room (except November meeting)
November 15, Location TBD
NO AUGUST or DECEMBER MEETINGS