

GREENBELT COMMUNITY SOLAR 2 MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was held 12/6/12, 7:30 pm, at the home of Steve Skolnik.

Attending: Steve Skolnik (facilitator), Susan Barnett, Jeannie Iacovazzi, Bob Iacovazzi, Pat O'Leary, Joe Murray, Shalom Fisher, Lore Rosenthal, Kevin Fisher, David Brosch, John Mason. Sign in sheet was circulated, and contact information for all attendees was collected. Minutes were taken and transcribed by John Mason.

Introduction, overview and attendee introductions were made.

Minutes for 11/8/12 meeting were approved.

Business: Laurel Presbyterian Church: Steve S., John M., Pat O'Leary, Jeannie & Bob Iacovazzi to meet with Jerry Pelch and the church's property committee Monday evening 12/10/12. No better ideas were presented, so agreement was reached to respectfully decline developing the project for them at this time, since low sREC prices make financial model unattractive to investors, and to encourage them to do the project themselves with GCS help.

Continuing discussion was held on the current conditions relating to Federal tax credits, State incentives & sREC's, and our current LLC financial model not being feasible for any Maryland projects. Steve did a projection based on current \$140 MD sREC values and determined that for an installed price of \$2.75 per watt a 19 year payback could be achieved.

Dave Brosch said that there may be bills introduced in the upcoming MD legislative session pertaining to RPS (Renewable Portfolio Standard), sREC carve out for community solar, Solar Farms (Virtual Net Metering). He and Steve S. are attending a meeting in Annapolis on Monday 12/10/12 to hopefully get some info on those bills.

Lore R. suggested maybe a different tack, since the solar model is not working now we might focus on legislation in Annapolis, divestment of fossil fuels, community outreach or energy conservation. Bob I. & Kevin F. said that conservation strategies are currently being pursued by both Westchester Park & Greenbrier.

A question was posed by Steve S.: "Do we want to pursue possible host sites in DC?" Majority voted in favor.

Steve S. suggested we could pursue DC sites and focus on MD legislation together.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 10, 2012 at 7:30pm, to be at the home of Steve Skolnik -- 8A Ridge Rd. Greenbelt.

ACTION ITEMS:

Steve S., John M., Pat O'Leary, Jeannie & Bob Iacovazzi to meet with Laurel Presbyterian Church 12/10/12 at 7:00 (meet at Steve's house at 6:30)

Steve Skolnik, Dave B. – Sierra Club (MEA) meeting in Annapolis 12/10/12 on possible solar legislation.

Steve Skolnik – Check on DC sites that could become future projects (Solar Solution, GWIPL, etc.).

John M. – Talk with Anya Schoolman & Steve Seuser with DC SUN about potential sites in DC for potential projects.

Everyone – Continue to think of solutions to make a new project work. Be prepared to send letters to Legislators in Annapolis for various bills and possible testimony.