

Minutes - 6/5/12 – Open Meeting of Greenbelt Community Solar

Attending: 13 people (Sign in sheet was circulated, and contact information for all attendees was collected.)

Meeting was held at the Greenbelt Baptist Church, facilitated by Steve Skolnik.

Introduction, overview and attendee introductions were made.

First and only order of official GCS-LLC business: Elect one new management committee member to replace a member who wishes to resign. Need quorum of the 34 LLC members to do this, however, insufficient attendance by members of LLC, so election was not held. Steve suggested that an e-mail vote by the Management Committee to amend the Operating Agreement, to allow for the now not-allowed e-mail vote, could be done.

Discussion was held on GCS history and how we started an LLC, did site selection for a host site, and how that project was developed. We would now like to replicate this process on another project.

Government incentives were discussed. The 30% federal tax grant (in lieu of credit) has sunset, and now remains as a 30% Investment Tax Credit, which can only be applied against passive income.

Future potential projects were discussed: Steve Skolnik reported (through an unofficial source) that Mishkan Torah probably would not be agreeable to being a host site. John Mason concurred. Laurel Presbyterian Church, may have signed an agreement with another source. Need to follow up, John Mason will make contact.

City of Greenbelt: City is currently pursuing a PPA with a large consultant (Optony) as part of a consortium through Council of Governments (COG). We are left with the following potential host sites: Public Works (new and old buildings) and Spring Hill Lake Recreation Center. We will discuss presentation options at our next meeting. Luisa Robles suggested that we meet with Kenny Hall, Director of Public Works and Jim Sterling, Assistant Director. Luisa will provide Optony's report for our review.

Westchester Park Condominium: Suggested by Pat O'Leary (a resident of this development), she said their development has central electrical distribution and a single meter. Steve agreed to speak further with Pat, and Bob and Jeannie Iacovazzi, about the possibility of implementing solar in this case.

Attendees voted yes, to pursue starting a new LLC; also agreed to pursue a new host site with emphasis on City of Greenbelt Dept. of Public Works.

Next meeting: Agreed to set by e-mail. To be at Greenbelt Baptist Church. Will confirm by e-mail.

ACTION ITEMS:

Steve Skolnik – Organize e-mail vote to change Operating Agreement so we can e-mail vote to replace 1 management member. Review Optony's report.

John Mason – Contact Laurel Presbyterian Church to find out status of their host site interest.

Minutes were taken and transcribed by John Mason.