

## **Greenbelt Community Solar “2” Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 16, 2012, 7:30 pm, at Jeannie Iacovazzi’s house at Westchester Park.

Attending: Kevin Fisher, Steve Skolnik (facilitator), John Mason, Pat O’Leary, Joe Murray, Alice Murray, Luisa Robles, Jeannie Iacovazzi.

Introduction, agenda overview, and attendee introductions were made.

Minutes for 9/20/12 meeting were approved.

### Business:

Potential host sites.

- 1) United Methodist Church in College Park has been dropped off our list because we have not heard from them in a while.
- 2) Greenbelt Public Works has stalled. The City manager will meet with the Public Works staff in the coming weeks. GCS needs to write letter summarizing what we could offer for the two City sites.
- 3) Laurel Presbyterian Church’s Property Committee received a power point presentation from GCS. Many good questions were asked. GCS members diverge in opinion as to the interest of this site. Pat and Steve think they are interested, John thinks not. The ball is in their court.
- 4) Westchester Park Condominium Association. GCS met with them. Mark Nations, the President of the Condo Association seemed hard to read. Steve felt it unlikely that GCS would form an LLC for them as what they want is larger than what we can offer, and they have the organization and reserve fund to do it themselves. They just need the political will (to change the bylaws). What complicates this process is the fact that sharing utilities among multiple units and averaging out the costs provides no incentive to conserve resources. The ball is in Mark’s court.
- 5) Greenbelt American Legion. Frank still has not been able to get in touch with contact person. Luisa is to follow up with Frank, maybe take on the task of making contact with the Legion manager.
- 6) Friends School. Pat talked to Christine. Right now the school is devoted to the new wing. We can check back in 6-7 months. Steve says we should take them off the list at this time.

At this point, Laurel Presbyterian Church is on top of the list, followed by the sites at City of Greenbelt. What about the admin building for GHI? Steve spoke to Eldon. After the process they went through and the GHI Board electing not to bring the issue to the membership, it seems now is not the right time. Eldon said that if Steve felt strongly about it, he would bring it up to the board. But since Steve did not feel much support from Eldon, it is best to drop the issue now.

### New business:

Steve asked the group whether it is now time to start the new LLC. Most of the application can be done on line. The cost is around \$320 per year. The core group needs to put seed money to open an account, establish the LLC, get postage, etc. The seed money would be \$100.00 per core member.

The group decided to not form the LLC right now, but when we have a site that seems more committed.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 8 at 7:30 pm, to be held at Joe and Alice Murray’s house on 103 Ridge Road.

### ACTION ITEMS:

- 1) John and Steve: write a quick projection for the 2 City sites. A one pager on what GCS might offer.
- 2) Steve: send thank you email to Laurel Presbyterian Church.
- 3) Luisa: talk to Frank about contact person for the Legion and try to make contact.