

# Wilton Energy Commission

## Agenda

September 9th, 2010

1. Minutes of last meeting, select Secretary.
2. Review of mission and goals of WEC
  - a. Mission Statement attached
  - b. Recruit new members
  - c. Go forward organization - Committee chairs
  - d. Town liaison member(s)?
3. Draft WEC Plan – Bruce
4. Go-Green Report
  - a. Finances - Dona
  - b. GG Update - Neil
  - c. Funding request from Go-Green Committee
5. Neighbor to Neighbor Plan
  - a. Student Conservation Association recruiting
6. WEC web site ([www.wiltonenergy.org](http://www.wiltonenergy.org)) Future content and management
7. Neil Gluckin – Go-Green Committee representative
  - a. Vote to recommend BOS appointment
8. Brief Report on ARRA Grant status -- Bruce
9. 10/10/10 350.org Event
10. Schedule for future meetings

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Wilton Energy Commission is to promote resource conservation, energy efficiency and explore means to reduce the carbon footprint of the community through the use of renewable energy and other initiatives in public buildings, homes and local businesses. The Commission will serve in an advisory role in support of the Board of Selectmen. It will also provide education to the community on energy related topics.

## **Composition**

The Energy Commission will be composed of nine residents of the town. Said nine members shall be persons who have expressed a concern and interest for and/or demonstrated expertise in energy and energy conservation. They shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen for a two year term. During the first year of appointment, three members shall serve for a term of one year in order to establish a staggered appointment schedule. The Board of Selectmen will appoint one individual from the Commission to serve as chairman. In the event of any vacancy, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint, by majority vote, a successor to fill the unexpired portion of the vacant term.

The Commission shall appoint all other officers and establish its own rules and procedures for the conduct of its meetings. A copy of said rules and procedures shall be filed annually with the Town Clerk.

Members of the commission may be removed or suspended by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter.

The Board of Selectmen may, by majority vote, elect to dissolve the Commission once it has fulfilled its stated mission.

## **Duties**

The commission shall be responsible to the Board of Selectmen on matters relating to energy consumption and conservation and, as such, shall:

1. Research and evaluate energy conservation initiatives for the Town of Wilton targeted at reducing both energy consumption and town operating expenses.
2. Research and evaluate energy conservation practices and technologies for possible incorporation into new town construction and refurbishment of existing town facilities.
3. Review, evaluate and comment to the Board of Selectmen on energy-related operating and capital items in town budget requests prior to action by the Board of Selectmen.
4. Research and evaluate regional, state and federal resources and grants which relate to energy and energy conservation which may be available to both municipal government and residents.
5. Provide energy conservation and technology evaluation education to Wilton residents and businesses.

In its advisory role in support of the Board of Selectmen, the Commission shall provide periodic reports covering short and long range recommendations for action by the Board of Selectmen and other appropriate officials of the town.

The commission shall assume any other energy-related matters as may be assigned to it by the Board of Selectmen.