

**Barre City Energy Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2018**

Committee Members Present: Elaine Wang, Conor Teal, Phil Cecchini

Committee Members Absent: Tim Perrin; Phil Bickel

City Staff Present: Janet Shatney

1. Meeting called to order at 5:32 pm
2. Changes to agenda? *None*
3. Approve meeting minutes for December 11, 2017 and January 22, 2018: *Chair Wang asked to table the December draft minutes to the next meeting; motion to approve the January minutes was made by P. Cecchini and seconded by C. Teal, motion carried unanimously.*
4. Update on City Hall audit contract with Commons Energy – *Chair Wang wanted to be sure that everyone had seen Manager Mackenzie's email that the contract has been signed, and more discussion will occur at a later time.*
5. Solar Workshop on March 14th: *the committee reviewed P. Cecchini's suggestions on a sidewalk sign, and ultimately agreed to put purchasing one on hold at the moment, but will discuss at a later meeting. Banners were also discussed, and also tabled to another meeting.*

Solar Workshop format was discussed one last time, that it will be a panel type presentation. Chair Wang didn't hear back from the VTC contact, nor did C. Teal hear back from his contact in So. Burlington. Pizza and drinks will be offered. Advertising will be again through Front Porch Forum, which appears to be the best and most far-reaching form of getting the word out.

6. Discussion about BCEC Electric Car event at Thunder Road: *We talked about our annual budget amount with the City, what is left for the remainder of the fiscal year. This segued into the Thunder Road Energy Day, of which Green Mtn. Power, SunCommon, Drive Electric and the BCEC will be sponsors. The event will cost \$2500, which GMP is contributing \$1000, and the other two are contributing \$500 each. Talk of how and what to contribute was discussed related to our budget. P. Cecchini reminded the committee that there is approx. \$800 left to the BEAR Energy group, and Chair Wang will talk with one of the former members about signing off on these funds so that the BCEC can use them. P. Cecchini is against using our own money, as Chair Wang said she is contemplating using her own personal funds. Ultimately, it was agreed that \$100-\$200 will be contributed by the BCEC, and only \$100 for now until she can talk with the BEAR former member.*
7. Report out on VBike and conversation with Vermont Bicycle Shop: *Chair Wang talked to VBike and know that they have many things to offer. She also had a conversation with the owner of R&L Archery, wondering about selling Fat-bikes to hunters, outfitted appropriately. She will talk to the Bicycle Shop at a later date.*
8. Discuss second BSEI landlord workshop: *Tabled to March meeting.*
9. Discuss improving Facebook page: *C. Teal contemplating working on it; tabled to March meeting.*
10. Adjourn – motion to adjourn by P. Cecchini and seconded by C. Teal at 7:03 pm.