

TOWN OF MANSFIELD  
Energy Education Team  
Minutes of the Meeting  
February 8, 2011

Present: Dan Britton (chair), Pene Williams, Sally Milius, Madeline Priest (guest), Jenna Zelentz (guest), Virginia Walton (staff)

Britton called the meeting to order at 7:13 pm.

The minutes from the January 11, 2011 meeting were approved.

Pene gave a 20by2010 clean energy google group update. Homes heated with oil will soon be paying \$300, rather than \$75, for a Home Energy Solutions energy audit. On February 10, 2011 there will be a webinar on wind energy. Governor Malloy is proposing to consolidate Connecticut's energy functions with the Department of Environmental Protection.

Madeline reported on the progress of Neighbor to Neighbor. 1,000 people have signed up for the Neighbor to Neighbor energy challenge. Madeline received positive support from the meetings with the United Church of Christ, EcoHouse, and UConnPIRG. A webinar on the rewards program for participating municipalities has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 16 webinar at 7 pm. The official launch of the Neighbor to Neighbor program will be scheduled for the end of March in central Connecticut. The Neighbor to Neighbor staff plans on offering three separate workshops on lighting, the Home Energy Solutions audit and deep energy retrofits.

The committee discussed having an Earth Day celebration that helps to promote the Neighbor to Neighbor program. It was suggested that the Earth Day event celebrates the hydro system initiative at the Kirby Mill. Ginny will contact the owners, Sam and Michelle Shifrin. Other ideas include a presentation on the Maple Road CSA, net zero houses or deep energy retrofits or a movie night about mountaintop removal with a motivational speaker. Neighbor to Neighbor staff will help with publicity.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Walton