

Northport Energy Action Taskforce, Inc.  
Membership Meeting  
January 12, 2017

Meeting called to order 9:12 AM

Members Attending:

Doug & Ann McInnis, Peter Wolcott, Tom Gallery, Jane & Russ Packard, Jim Landes, Phil Von Voigtlander, Dick Lang, Jane Gale, Jan Rygwelski, Joe DeFors, George Wellman, Lois Bahle, Tom Van Pelt, Steve Smiley, Gene Garthe, Campbell McLeod, Andy Thomas, Kate Thornhill, Dave Petrove, Peter Davison, Ed Reinert

I. Approve minutes of last Membership Meeting. Motion made by Phil Von Voigtlander, seconded by Jane Gale to approve Membership Meeting minutes as corrected of January 12, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

II. Treasurer's Report- For the year ending December 31, 2016

<u>Income</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$1,070.80
Dues	1,360.00 *
Other donations	<u>10.00</u>
Total	\$2,440.80

<u>Expenditure</u>	
Corporate expenses	\$20.00
Ann Arbor Trip	45.38
PACE Training	<u>150.00</u>
Total	\$215.38

Ending Balance            \$2,225.42

\*\$1,060 2017 memberships paid in December including five \$200 sustainers.

III. Nomination and Election of Board

Lois Bahle moved to nominate the following as Board of Directors: Joe DeFors, Phil Von Voigtlander, Peter Wolcott, Steve Smiley, Gene Garthe, Doug McInnis, Ann McInnis, Jane Packard, Russ Packard. Seconded by Tom Gallery. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Summary of Year - Doug

When viewing 2016 from Northport Energy's perspective the best descriptive words to me are "challenging" and "transition".

Early in the year proposed state legislation and policy changes involving the electric utility industry required our becoming knowledgeable of the potential law changes and active in educating the general public of the changes - a new challenge for us. Joe DeFors and the Marketing and Outreach Committee met that “challenge”.

Now that changes are a reality we are rethinking how we can achieve our renewable energy goals - “transition”. To more effectively deal with the challenges we now have three committees: Marketing and Outreach, Public Policy and Projects. We will hear more from each committee shortly.

Other accomplishments:

- \* Northport High School student Caleb Brown completed his senior project of having a tracking solar system installed at the school. Tom, Steve and Doug helped Caleb.
- \* October Solar Tour in cooperation with the League of Women Voters Leelanau County.
- \* U of M graduate student PACE Project - still in progress.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim Landes passed. Adjourned 9:50 AM.

Respectively submitted, Ann McInnis