

TCLocal Meeting Agenda – October 3, 2009

Present: Jon Bosak, Krys Cail, John Graves, Terry Moore, Angelika St. Laurent, Simon St. Laurent, Bethany Schroeder, Tom Shelley

1) No changes to previous meeting minutes required.

2) Website items

- #1: Krys's article review: Needs tightening. Do we need the historical perspective? Jon thinks that she's talking about two things: relocalization and transitions, but it doesn't all come together yet. Jon wonders whether there are three transitions versus four; should she talk about four as the end view? Jon wonders what is the local outlook if more and more people heat with wood? This might be Tony's territory. We'll try to get this published this month before Bioneers, so that Krys can refer to it in her presentation.
- Bethany Part 2—comments? None.
- Karl North's Part Three? He's working on it
- Sidebars: Karl would like to use sidebars in his Part Three. Magazine sidebars aren't possible with our current software, but book sidebars are doable.
- Sequence of future articles (see below)
- Old business:
 - Server admin – Simon says the server is working fine; he will try to execute the tracking mechanism so that members can look at it. Numbers of visitors are relatively modest.

Repository development progress: Simon and Jon: no progress.

3) Outreach / Interactions with other organizations

- John Graves: A Burning Transition Presentation at the Dorothy and Roy H. Park Center for Business and Sustainable Enterprise, sometime between Nov. 17 and Nov. 21. Sponsored by TCLocal and Abbott Development with featured speaker Thomas-Lund Hanson (member of the Danish Board of District Heating). Costs would be picked up by Abbott. Speaker is willing to contribute his time, provided that all of the other elements of his visit come together. Members agree to endorse the presentation.
- Simon may know someone who wants a presentation; will let us know soon.

4) Local municipal issues

- Town of Ithaca Planning Board – Jon: a brief description of new town projects.
- Update on biomass Combined Heat and Power (CHP) project somewhere in Ithaca as noted above
- TCAT will soon get 15 new busses **AI**: Jon will get me breakdown
- A developer near Sapsucker wants to put up more houses there, which the residents don't want.
- City of Ithaca WTP decision: John and Jon attended and described the proceedings
- Town of Dryden: Simon shared his promotional. In the door-to-door effort, gas drilling is a big concern. Some people are also averse to more development.
- Conservation Advisory Council reviewed scoping for Collegetown Apartments, to be developed by Mike Novarr.

5) Next meeting: December 5, 5-7 at Tom's

Rough blog publishing plan(s):

July: Food production systems, Pt. 1(Karl North)

August: Food production systems, Pt 2 (Karl North)

Oct: Biomass options (Krys Cail)

Nov: Local wood heat (Tony Nekut)

Dec: Health care resources, Pt. 2 (Bethany Schroeder)

Jan: Food production systems, Pt 3 (Karl North)

Other future topics:

Local biofuel production (Tycho Dan)

Household preparation, Part 2 (Katie)