



## Alternative Energy Task Force

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### ACTION ITEMS

Thursday September 25th, 2008 10:00 am

#### Members in Attendance:

- Rick Dunsmore
- Beate Marquardt (SEDA)
- William Lavoie
- Joseph Lavoie
- Erin Martens (LEDA Office Admin)
- Andrea Scarth
- George Betemps
- Rachelle Van Zanten
- Scott McPhee
- Christine Vautour (LEDA Office Admin)
- Cindy Shelford (EDO)

#### Meeting Commenced: 10:02 am

A formal agenda was not prepared – went right into open discussion. Introductions for those new at the table, and brief description of why they attend and why they are interested in methods of Alternative energy.

**Discussions around:** equipment, methods, contractors, installations, inventions, currents projects, Alternative Energy initiatives, Burns Lake's Community Energy Plan developed by OneSky,

#### Equipment, methods, installations;

- After introductions, there was discussion around equipment, methods, and installations. Everyone at the table has either lived off the grid or is making the lifestyle changes to live off the grid. LEDA has found this group gives people a chance to exchange ideas with people living in similar situations.
- Up until now there is nothing sold locally for setup, equipment, tools, and or information. Rick Dunsmore owner of GooseCreek has the expertise in installation, equipment, contacts, costs, he is living across the lake.(see below)
- Direction at the last discussion group was for Steve Freeman to compare prices to take the

	<p>LEDA building off the grid to use as a display building. Beate reported and there are significant price differences, Rick mentioned that LEDA should consider grid-tied (grid for back-up) instead of fully off the grid.</p>
<p><b>New/Local Contractors;</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rick Dunsmore owner of GooseCreek Renewable Energy Inc. @ <a href="http://www.goosecreek.ca">www.goosecreek.ca</a> attended the discussion group this month.</li> <li>● He provided his portfolio for the group to look at and current projects he's worked on both locally and in Alberta. He orders and can sell the complete packages</li> </ul>
<p><b>Inventions, current projects, Alternative Energy Initiatives</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New attendees with home built devices gave a quick demonstration,</li> <li>● Contact Kevin Pegg – to give a presentation relating to his self-sufficient display model (taken to trade shows)</li> <li>● BC Hydro has different rebates for energy efficient initiatives <a href="http://www.bchydro.com">www.bchydro.com</a>,</li> </ul>
<p><b>OBAC Alternative Energy Strategy;</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● OBAC has developed an alternative energy strategy (<a href="http://www.ominercoalition.ca/alternative-energy.htm">www.ominercoalition.ca/alternative-energy.htm</a>) it is discussed in the document A total of 150 MW of alternative electrical power generation capacity is in place or is planned for the region. There is sufficient roadside wood residue available for another 200 MW. Therefore, based on the estimated current use of 400 MW, the region could become a net exporter of electricity if other resources, such as wind and hydro, were also developed.</li> <li>● At past meetings the group has discussed this strategy as a useful tool, but most of the attendees are in for the lifestyle not to make the green foot print or have tax right offs.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Burns Lake Community Energy Plan (draft) - OneSky</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Benoit from OneSky sent the LEDA office a draft form of the Community Energy Plan. Erin then forwarded it to the group for feedback</li> <li>● Responses were good; recommendations were reasonable and the goals are achievable that the Village administration could achieve.</li> <li>● Benoit will be presenting the final document with</li> </ul>

the feedback received to the Village Council  
September 30<sup>th</sup> @7pm.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 12 pm

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10am (LEDA Office)

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