SUBJECT: Meeting between the Cheshire Energy Commission and representatives for the Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge

LOCATION: Cheshire Town Hall

TIME: 7:00 PM

ATTENDEES:
Cheshire Energy Commission:
Walter Gayeski
Paul Michalowski
Richard Ogurick

Clean Water Action:
Jessica Bergman

Clean Energy Corps:
Greg Cerrato
Crystal Nosal
Dan Squire

Other:
Joan Szechtmann

1. The purpose of this meeting was to help shape the launch strategy for the Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge (N2NEC) and to identify other people and organizations that may be able to help.

2. The main objective of N2NEC is to get 10% of the town’s residents to accept the challenge to reduce their energy consumption by 20%.

3. Jess Bergman of Clean Water Action is in charge of the N2NEC rollout in Cluster #1 (Cheshire & Bethany). She also is overseeing the three representatives from the Clean Energy Corps, who have been assigned to work with Cheshire. Their efforts will be concentrated in marketing and communications related to N2NEC.

4. Clean Energy Corps obtained 54 Cheshire pledges on Election Day.

5. It was agreed that Cheshire’s approach will be 2-pronged – do additional HES audits and, more importantly, develop implementation strategies for the energy savings measures that were identified in the 700 HES audits completed between May and September 2010, and in the future.

6. The N2NEC web site is still under construction.

7. Joan Szechtmann shared some information that she collected during her investigation of solar PV systems for her residence. Her experience and insight would be useful for anyone else who is considering solar PV for their home.