

Clean Cities Stakeholder Meeting March 6, 2018

10:00 AM-12:00PM Delaware Electric Co-Op 14198 Sussex Hwy, Greenwood, DE 19950

Attendees

Kathleen Harris, DNREC Ajo Rabemiarisoa, DNREC Joe Myers Kathleen Grier, RideShare Delaware Marcella Brainard, DART Richard Gaunt, DNREC CJ Myers, Delaware Electric Cooperative MQ Riding, Chesapeake Utilities Kevin Yingling, Delaware Electric Cooperative Bill Swiatek, WILMAPCO (via conference line) Sherri Evans-Stanton, Sierra Club (via conference line)

Meeting Minutes

Coalition Updates – Kathy Harris

- The Coalition is working to expand our social media presence. Please send along any updates, pictures, or other information/events that can go on our social media platforms.
- The Coalition re-designation webinar was held in January. The official re-designation letter was received earlier this week and is valid for four years
 - The U.S. Department of Energy provided suggestions on how to continue to improve the Coalition:
 - Continue working with WILMAPCO and get more county and municipal governments involved with the Coalition
 - Continue working with Utilities
 - Continue expanding social media and get back into producing a newsletter
 - Continue partnering with Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility to promote clean transportation through their low interest loan programs
 - Work with landscaping equipment operators to convert their equipment to an alternative fuel
 - Lots of praise for all the good work!

- 11 member agreements have been returned. Encourage other stakeholders to sign on to member agreement
- The Clean Cities Annual Report is due next Friday (March 15)
 - This is an important report that is submitted to the US Department of Energy. It allows them to see all of the great work that the Coalition does!
 - Please submit information by Monday, March 11. The report is focused on alternative fueled vehicles, miles driven, etc., and is used to track Greenhouse Gas Emission reductions in the state

Application for 2019 Clean Cities Grant Award – Kathy Harris

- We received our annual grant award from the US Department of Energy
 - Tasks for this award include project management, completing the annual report, tracking alternative fuel prices, noting alternative fuel station openings and closings, sharing peer to peer information, and monitoring vehicle and station cost tracking.
 - If you purchase an alternative fuel vehicle or open a new station, please provide price data to Kathy—the US Department of Energy is interested in tracking these prices

Committee Development – Kathy Harris

At our strategic planning session in January 2018, the Coalition discussed developing committees within the Coalition. The following committees were proposed in January 2018: -Membership -Fleet Outreach Legislative Outreach -Communications -Technical information -Events -Clean Fuel signage/ corridor

Think about these committees over the next few months, whether they are still relevant, and if you are interested in leading the committee or participating in it. It may be useful to begin forming just 1 or 2 of the committees first.

- Sherri Evans-Stanton suggested that the legislative outreach and education should be a priority. She volunteered to work on this committee
- MQ Riding suggested the group eliminate the clean fuel signage committee
- Marcella Brainard suggested combining the communications and events committees
- Kevin Yingling volunteered for the technical information committee

Environmentally Responsible Fleet Management Summit – MQ Riding

- Event on April 2⁻save the Date!
- Objective is to expand the use of alternative fuels in fleets with ultimate goal of improving air quality

Upcoming Event, National Guard Earth Day Event, April 30th – Kathy Harris

• The Delaware National Guard is hosting an event on April 30. There is an opportunity to table and attend.

Round Robin

- Bill Swiatek—WILMAPCO is about to release and adopt the 2050 transportation plan, incorporating recommendations. Looking at equity of EV charging stations in the region, there is geographic inequality of charging station locations, with them concentrated in more affluent regions
- Sherri Evans-Stanton– The national Sierra Club is working to encourage states to adopt ZEV standards,
- Ajo Rabemiarisoa Proposals due by March 28 for Volkswagen RFP. More information can be found at: <u>https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/air/mobile-sources/vw-mitigation-plan/</u>
- Kathleen Grier Suggests an event for EVs and ride sharing
- MQ Riding Continuing to prepare for the fleet management summit

Utility Electric Vehicle Charging Program – Kevin Yingling and CJ Meyers

- Looking into servicing EV bus charging at Lewes station, and how to control during peak times
- Did a pilot in 2018, with 9 ChargePoint chargers, controllable during peak times
- Tesla has their own chargers, and is interested in setting up control of vehicles during charging.

Next Meeting—May 29th in Kent County