

- Belmont, Massachusetts
 - Vision Implementation Committee
 - - Minutes of January 13, 2010 Meeting
 - Approved Jan.28, 2010
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- Paul Solomon, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:03am in the assembly room of the Belmont Library with the following members present: Sara Oaklander, Jennifer Page, Bruce MacDonald, Kevin Heine, Sara Masucci, and Tim Bowman.
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- Sara Oaklander gave an update on the Town web site. The committee's work on updating and helping to enhance some portions of the web site has been put on hold until the committee has more time to spend on it. In the mean time Jennifer Page and Paul Solomon continue to work on the "Getting Involved" section and Sara remains in touch with the Town officials responsible for the site.
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- Jennifer Page gave an update on Sustainable Belmont. The VIC committee unanimously approved the appointment of John McAlpin, current vice chair, as chair. A search for a replacement vice chair is narrowing and VIC unanimously approved the appointment of a vice chair by the membership of the Sustainable Belmont committee to be ratified at the then immediately following VIC meeting. The charge to the newly created Energy Committee (approved at the November 18, 2009 Selectmen meeting) was also discussed and approved by the VIC with minor modifications. This committee will be responsible to steer the work of the Town in its objective to reduce the Town carbon footprint by 80% by 2050.
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- Paul Solomon reminded the VIC of the State mandatory ethics training and acknowledgement to the Town of receiving the related materials.
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- Jennifer updated the group on the [Massachusetts](#) Climate Action Network (MCAN) 'Cool Massachusetts" program. After discussion about the program the VIC committee unanimously voted to support Belmont's participation in the program leaving the actual decision to participate or not to Sustainable Belmont.
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- Sara Masucci and Tim Bowman updated the group on the work of the Budget and Tax Engagement project. A significant change in focus has been to take a long-term view of educating and engaging the community. After review of the January 9, 2009 draft plan outline the committee supported the direction and work of the task force.
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- Upcoming meetings and events, including the MLK breakfast were briefly reviewed.
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- The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.
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- Respectfully submitted,
- Tim Bowman
- Secretary pro-tem
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