

LEGISLATIVE ENERGY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes: Monday, March 9, 2009

6:00 p.m., Room 15 Capitol

Members Present:

Senator Ellen Anderson
Senator Satveer Chaudhary
Senator Steve Dille
Senator John Doll
Senator Gary Kubly
Senator Julie Rosen
Senator David Senjem
Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon
Representative Kent Eken
Representative Tom Hackbarth
Representative Bill Hilty
Representative Frank Hornstein
Representative Al Juhnke
Representative Kate Knuth
Representative Mary Ellen Otremba
Representative Doug Magnus
Representative Torrey Westrom

Members Excused:

Senator James Metzen
Senator Pat Pariseau
Representative Michael Beard

Call to Order

Sen. Yvonne Prettner Solon called the meeting of the Legislative Energy Commission to order at 6:27 pm. A quorum was present.

Introduction of Members

Sen. Prettner Solon explained that there were 20 members serving on the commission, ten members of the Senate appointed by the Subcommittee on Committees and ten members of the House appointed by the Speaker of the House.

Election of Chairs

Sen. Prettner Solon stated that House members of the commission had met and elected Rep. Bill Hilty to serve as co-chair and that Senate members of the commission also met and elected Sen. Prettner Solon to serve as co-chair.

Duties of the Legislative Energy Commission

Sen. Prettner Solon reviewed proposed rules to govern the commission. A subcommittee was

appointed to review the proposed rules. Sen. Prettner Solon, Sen. Rosen, Sen. Kubly, Rep. Beard, Rep. Knuth and Rep. Hilty were appointed to the subcommittee.

Members then reviewed the duties before the commission as laid out in Subdivision 3 of Minnesota Statutes 3.8851. Member discussion ensued as to how to move forward with fulfilling those duties. Members also discussed their expectations for the commission.

Administrative Duties

Rep. Hilty reviewed a document relating to the need for an executive director for the Legislative Energy Commission. Member discussion ensued.

Next Steps

Sen. Solon announced that the next meeting of the Legislative Energy Commission will be held on Wednesday, March 25th at 6:30 pm in room 200 of the State Office Building. The meeting will be on nuclear energy.

There being no further business, Sen. Prettner Solon adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.