



Onondaga County Citizen's Energy Committee



Accelerate 2008
County Executive's Energy Committee
April 30, 2008
1:45 pm Track 4

Today's Topics



- ✓ Mission
- ✓ Past
- ✓ Present
- ✓ Future
 - ✓ County Executives Vision & Goals
 - ✓ OCCEC's Strategic Planning Results
 - ✓ Makeup of the Committee (Members)

Vision – Mission – Core Values

VISION

By the Year 2015, Be Recognized as the Energy Capital of the Nation

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MISSION

1. Promote environmental sustainability & Responsibility
2. Become a national leader in innovative Industries
3. Incubate next-generation energy technologies
4. Reduce Energy Consumption
5. Create Renewable Energy Sources
6. Educate the Public (All Sections) – Residential/Businesses
7. LEED's Certifiable-Hollistic Approach

CORE VALUES

Integrity-Credibility
Environmentally/Energy Responsible
Sustainable (0-Carbon footprint)
Transparency
Socially Responsible

County Executive's Vision

- **Promote environmental sustainability & responsibility.**
- **Become a national leader in innovative industries.**
- **Incubate next-generation technologies.**
- **Reduce Energy Consumption.**
- **Create Renewable Energy Sources .**

Past

- Committee has been in existence since the 1970's, and was created by County Executive John Mulroy.
- Assisted in gasoline rationing program and logistics.
- Advised County Executive on question/options of municipal takeover of electric grid.
- Crafted Onondaga County Energy Initiative 2000 in close and deliberate collaboration with the County Facilities Management Department.
- Presented Speakers Luncheon Series on energy in the regulated/deregulated market place.
- Developed "Energy Matters", a publication the County Executive's Office provides for legislator updates.
- Presented 2nd outreach program series on energy in the deregulated markets.
- OCCEC recommended regional approach to energy. County Executive's Office appointed City and SCSD representatives to the committee.

Members

- The Committee was originally a group with 18 present Members but was changed to 20 in 2006-2007 by a by-law change.
- All Members are appointed by the County Executive.

Present Members

- Chairman:

Ravi Raman, P.E.
President, RAM-TECH Engineers, P.C.

- Vice Chairman:

Mark Lichtenstein
Director of Operations,
Center for Excellence in Environmental Systems and Energy

- Secretary:

Fred Carranti, P.E.
Director, US-DOE Industrial Assessment Center
Instructor, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering
Program Director, Engineering Management

- Treasurer:

Paul Britton
Retired (Carrier - Engineering)

.....Members

- Joe Barry
Retired (Onondaga County),
Currently part-time at OCC
- Randy Wolken
Manufacturers Association of Central New York
- Barry Carr
Manager, Syracuse Office,
Homeland Energy
- Nick DiBello
Assistant to the Superintendent,
Syracuse City School District

.....Members

- Tom Ferrara, P.E.
Facilities Engineer,
Onondaga County – Department of Facilities Management
- John Fiume
Account Manager, National Grid
- Jim Gladziszewski
President, Energy Automation
- Jim Lynch
Retired (Onondaga County)

.....Members

- Bruno Morabito
Retired (Carrier - Sales)
- Neil Murphy, PhD
President, State University of New York – ESF
- Mark Romanczyk
Constellation Energy – Projects Group
- Arnie Talgo
New York Power Authority
- Paul Thompson
Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board,
Former Facilities Manager, City of Syracuse
- Deb Warner
Director of Governmental Affairs, Chamber of Commerce

Standing Committees

- Funding – J. Barry
- County Energy Program – Ferrara
- Program & Logistics – Lynch
- Energy Update – Romanczyk
- Public Relations – Warner
- Education – Talgo
- Energy Policy Committee – DiBello
- Membership – Morabito
- Regional Energy Fair – Barry
- Geothermal State Fair Project – Talgo

Funding

- Originally formed to be a self-sufficient committee.
- Based on the new commission, this committee will be pursuing grants and could be assisted by the County in the future.

County Energy Program

- Presents ideas generated at OCCEC to the County Facilities Management
- Provides Feedback to OCCEC on the status of Energy Projects

Program & Logistics

- Educational Outreach to the Community, Businesses and Individuals
- Breakfast and/or Lunch Series

Energy Update

- Develop locally controlled energy commodity database (consumer price trends, wholesale and retail) for essential needs.
- Provide local, regional and national 'Energy Matters' success stories, relevant legislation, market opportunities via Website (in progress).

Public Relations

- Assist OCCEC in having a presence in the conferences and conventions in the County.
- Syracuse Chamber of Commerce has assisted in Booth space at these conferences and conventions, and hosts OCCEC Meetings.

Energy Policy Committee

- Mostly as related to the Energy Program undertaken by the Syracuse City School District.
- Joint efforts with SCSD, COE, USGBC.

Membership

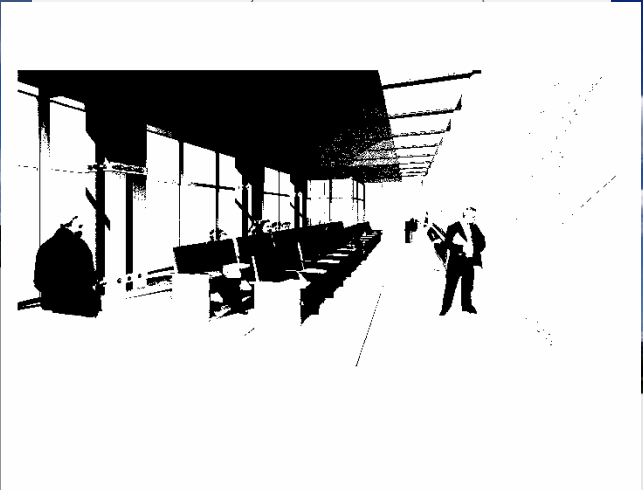
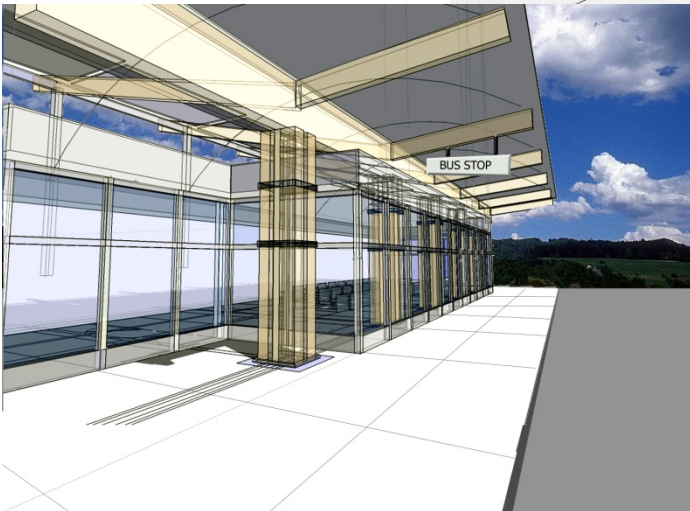
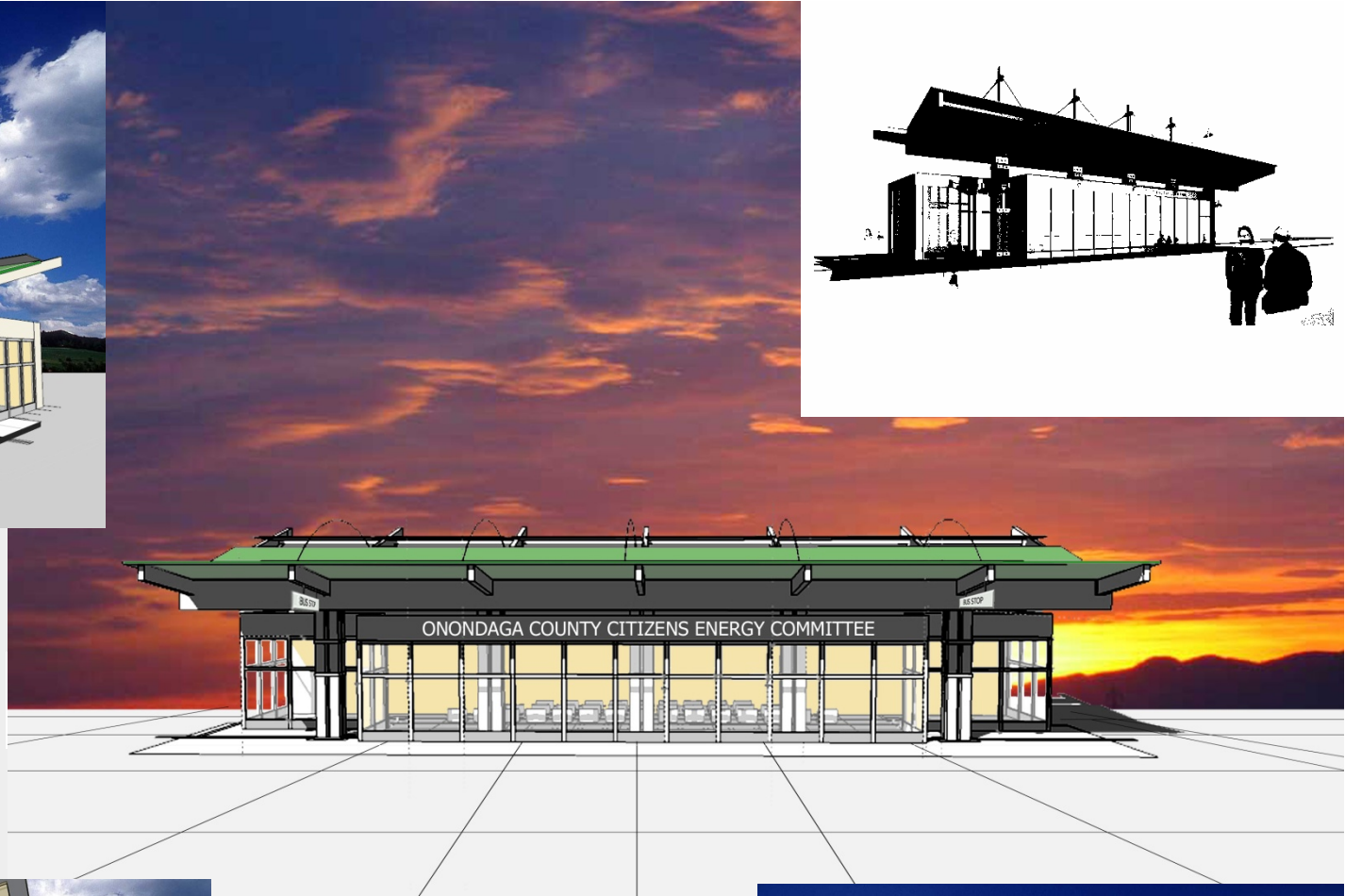
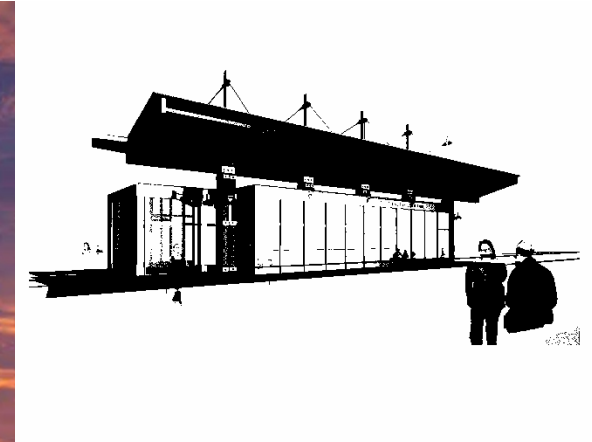
- Nominating Committee to provide list of potential new members for the County Executive's consideration.

Regional Energy Fair

- Presently a small undertaking
- The vision of the OCCEC is to make Central New York the Energy Capital of the Nation; similar to the Silicon Valley being the Computer Capital.

Sustainable Showcase Project at the State Fair

- Construction of a small stand-alone structure to demonstrate sustainable design and renewable energy use.
- Design for the structure went through several leadership at the Fair
- Site selection has been completed.
- Design is 30% complete.



Strategic Planning

- OCCEC organized Strategic Planning Sessions – 2 Session Format
- Collected un-biased thoughts from members
- A third party moderator assisted the group - Ahern & Murphy did a great job assisting the Committee
- Final product is a list of five most important tasks for the committee for the next two years.
- This list will be presented to the County Executive upon approval by the Committee.

Future

- OCCEC is excited as Energy will be a major factor in manufacturing, economic development, growth of a region.
- The Vision is to make Central New York the Energy Capital.
- A goal is to host a large Energy Conference, Symposium.
- Resources to accomplish these goals are available locally and are plentiful. The County Exec is considering a dedicated staff member for day-2-day operation of the Committee.

The Next 5 Important Steps

Result of our Strategic Planning Meeting

Submit the OCCEC 2008 vision, mission, values and goals to the county executive by _____ with budget and funding revenue source.

Develop a comprehensive (to include an Onondaga county definition of energy) OCCEC education program to assist Onondaga county residents and businesses in a complete understanding of energy billing to assist in energy consumption reductions by _____

Create a NYS Fair “Green Building” showcase by _____

Develop and implement a non-binding energy protocol/collaborative consortium for all local governments (City, Towns, Villages) and school districts by _____

Explore consumption by products and waste as usable/renewable energy source by _____

Any Questions, Comments ?

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Thank you !