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March 8, 2010 Meeting

Brookline Town Hall, 333 Washington Street

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Paul Harris convened the meeting with announcements.

Letter Writing - Amanda _____ will organize letter writing to various politicians for about 15 minutes prior to up-coming monthly meetings.

NSTAR Green - NSTAR has announce a major rate increase in its wind-energy program. CCAB expects to oppose the increase, and will notify the membership when it knows more about an anticipated public hearing and other activities.

Home Energy Audits and Weatherization - Dakota Butterfield will meet after the meeting with people interested in home energy audits and weatherization.

Eco-Teams - There will be a meeting of people interested I Eco-Teams on Thursday March 11.

Pot-Luck Supper - There was great interest in the pot-luck supper David Damm-Luhr suggested. He is looking for one or more popel to help organize it in a large space.

Awards Program - Green Neighborhood Challenge

Don Weitzman was master of ceremonies for awards for the winners of the more-than-a-year-long joing CCAB/Brookline Neighborhood Association Green Neighborhood Challenge competition. The winners were:

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| First Place | Fisher Hill Association – 51 households participating – 646,000 pounds of carbon saved |
| Second Place | Griggs Park Neighborhood Association – 20 households participating – 202,000 pounds of carbon saved |
| Second Place | South Brookline Neighborhood Association – 14 households participating – 92,000 pounds of carbon saved |
| 1 st Runner-Up | Aspinwall Hill Neighborhood Association |
| 2 nd Runner-Up | High Street Hill Neighborhood Association |

Paul Harris introduced additional announcements.

Stretch Energy Code - Alan Levitan announced a major public forum on Monday March 22 at 7:30 p.m. on the hearing room on the 6th floor of Town Hall. The selectmen's Climate Action Committee will present a panel of experts from around the state who will discuss the Stretch Energy Code which will be proposed for adoption in Brookline at this May's Town Meeting. This code would dramatically reduce carbon emissions in Brookline, and as many people as possible should attend the meeting not only to learn more about it, but to show political support for its adoption.

Future Presentation - Paul announced that at CCAB's April 12 meeting there will be a public presentation by Dick Lawrence, co-founder of the Association for the Study of Peak Oil, who will describe the convergence of peak oil production, climate change, and the global economy.

Brookline 2010 - Mary Dewart encouraged everyone who has not yet done so to go online and join the Brookline 2010 campaign.

Open Space Plan - Paul Harris announce that he attended the opening meeting sponsored by The Brookline Conservation Commission to begin the five-year Open Space Plan revision process. He will represent climate change interests, which have never been at this table before.

Presentation - HEET and Green Guild

Audrey Schulman of the Cambridge Home Energy Efficiency Team (HEET) was this month's first speaker. She described the history and current activities of HEET. See <http://www.audreyschulman.com/HEET/index.htm> for more information.

Jim Lockwood of Green Guild in Brookline was our second speaker. He described what he has found to be the biggest and most common deficiencies in Brookline building energy efficiency, and the remedial actions that provide the biggest payoffs. See <http://www.greenguild.com/default.aspx>

The meeting was adjourned.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 12, in Room 103, Town Hall, 333 Washington Street, Brookline, beginning with a business meeting at 7:00 p.m. and continuing at 7:30 p.m. with a public presentation by Dick Lawrence, co-founder of the Association for the Study of Peak Oil, who will describe the convergence of peak oil production, climate change, and the global economy.