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**TOWN OF CARRBORO  
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD – SUMMARY**



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Meeting on April 7th, 2016, 7:00 pm, Town Hall Training Room

<b>Board Members</b>		<b>Guests</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Bruce Sinclair (chair)	Rob Crook (absent)	Joe Krawczel, Strata Solar	Randy Dodd
Pasan Perera (absent)	Sammy Slade (Board liaison)	Jay Cobb, Strata Solar	Marty Roupe
Sharon Patrick	Jeanette O'Connor	Rob Pinder, NextClimate	
Tim Turner (vice-chair)	Tom Hoban	Lisa Moeller	

**Administrative Matters**

Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. The EAB approved the March 3rd minutes by unanimous vote. The EAB appointed Tim Turner as vice-chair by unanimous vote.

**Solar Discussion**

Jay Cobb and Joe Krawczel from Strata Solar shared basic information on solar electricity as well as solar projects they are pursuing. They are looking for large cleared sites (~ 35 acres) served by 3 phase electric lines within 2 miles of a substation to site solar farms, up to 5 mW. The site needs to be dedicated to solar electricity for 25-30 years. They bring in a 3rd party for the financing. As a second interest, they are looking for a site to pilot/test new solar technology. For this project, the site requirements include a flat, white, highly reflective roof (at least 5-10k square feet). In return for access to a site meeting these requirements, they are willing to offer some financial incentive on the installation price.

**Joint Review**

The EAB participated in the Joint Review for a major modification to the Club Nova CUP, and for a proposed revision to the draft FLX ordinance. The EAB discussed both items, but deferred drafting of any comments until the next meeting.

**Pollinator Outreach Discussion**

The EAB had a discussion in consideration of the Town's designation as a Bee City USA community and associated community outreach activities in follow up to previous discussions. A community screening of Queen of the Sun is planned for June 19<sup>th</sup>. The date for installation of a honeybee mural at Fire Station #1 has not been determined. Jeanette mentioned that she has been communicating with David Jantzen, the Town's Landscape Supervisor, about helping with the pollinator garden at the corner of W. Main Street, Hillsborough Rd., and Poplar, and welcomes help from others on the EAB. The Orange County Beekeepers Association is looking to site a demonstration beehive, and is exploring potential sites with the Town.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 21st.