

## **Education**

**March 5, 2014**

**1:00**

**Members and Guest Present:** Robert Gorrill, Ernie Grolimund (guest), Elery Keene, Susan MacKenzie, Bonnie Sammons, Linda Woods

### **Update on Climate Solutions on March 12 at Augusta Civic Center from 9:00 to 5:00.**

Table description: large maps of Maine showing how climate change will affect Maine's coast; a tower garden; educational handouts; reusable bags

Elery & Jane will be attending the Summit dealing with public policy as related to climate change. This will be held concurrently.

#### Action Items:

Bonnie: handout for learning circles (details below) bring it with you March 12; bring whatever books you have on the subject

Bonnie: Help with table from 10:00 to 11:00

Linda: Bring clipboard with sign-up sheet; donation can

### **Update on Garden at the Homeless Shelter:**

Robert will be doing a presentation to the Shelter's Board on March 17 at 6:00 at the shelter.

#### Action Items:

Robert: put the power point on a thumb drive; print 3 copies of the power point

Robert: Check with Tukey's for lumber, Jeff Bragdon for compost, Ellen Paul

Linda: check with Betty on media (computer, projector, cables); ask exact time of presentation

### **Update on Learning Circles:**

April 16 (creating community); April 23 & 30 (discussion of materials) at 6:00 to 7:30 at Barrels Community Market

"Powering a Bright Future" pre-register by April 11 to [lwoods@waterville-me.gov](mailto:lwoods@waterville-me.gov)

Go to the [nwei.org](http://nwei.org) to purchase the materials \$5.00

Bonnie & Linda will each lead future ones.

Bonnie recommends that we read *Visualizing Climate Change*, by Stephen R.J. Sheppard, which could provide a basis for future educational programs to help people understand and move to a point of action. More on this coming soon.

Ernie showed pictures of houses and cities engulfed in wood smoke from various places, including Oakland. We often can't see this smoke, but it is present. He also showed pictures of the effects this smoke has on people's lungs. He has a variety of handouts on this topic. The DEP says, "If we can see wood smoke coming from a chimney, it is harming the health of you and your neighbors."

**Save the Date:** Mid Maine Climate Adaptation Working Group presents an Energy Briefing on March 27 at KVCC from 3:30 to 5:30. It will feature a panel of experts. More details will be forthcoming in e-blast.

Everyone is reminded of **Pecha Kucha** at **6:30** on **April 11**. We agreed to be there to support Peter Garrett's presentation on inside windows. Location?

The next meeting will be **Thursday, April 17** at **8:30** in the **Mayor's Conference Room of Waterville City Hall**.