

## **Advisory Committee - Steering Board of sustainable energy for Aluksne community**

In compliance with the law "On Municipalities", Article 82<sup>1</sup>, Part 1, and the binding provisions No. 6 "Regulations of Alūksne Regional Municipality", Article 8.3 of Alūksne Regional Municipality of August 31, 2005, the Regional Municipality, by mutual agreement of April 26, 2005, TAKES THE DECISION:

1. To form the Advisory Council on Sustainable Energy Supply of Alūksne Region (further in the text - the Advisory Council) consisting of:

Chairperson	Gunta Luļe	Executive director of Aluksne region council
Vice-chairperson	Jānis Liepiņš	Deputy of Aluksne city council
Member	Jānis Dambis	Vice-chairperson of Veclaicene municipality council
Member	Modris Lazdekalns	Chairman of the board of the joint stock company "Almo Hardwood"
Member	Jānis Liberts	Vice-chairperson of Aluksne district council, Chairperson of Trapene municipality council
Member	Armand Lūkins	"ENERGO 2000" Ltd. Managing director
Member	Gundars Pihlis	Deputy of Vireši municipality council
Member	Laimonis Sīpols	Chairperson of Aluksne district council, Chairperson of Liepna municipality council
Member	Kaspars Skuja	Managing director of North-Vidzeme regional development fund
Member	Āris Upenieks	Reporter of the newspaper "Malienas ziņas"
Member	Andis Zariņš	"Ozoli AZ" Ltd. member of the board

2. To assign the Advisory Council to work out regulations of the Advisory Council on Sustainable Energy Supply of Alūksne Region and submit them to the Alūksne Regional Municipality till May 15, 2007.

3. To fix a payment to the members of the Advisory Council for the actual working hours in compliance with Paragraph 3 of the Regulations on labour payment at the Alūksne Regional Municipality and its subordinate institutions (approved by the decision of the regional council "On the Confirmation of the Labour Payment Regulations (Prot. No. 4, Paragraph 4) of April 30, 2003).

### **Regulations of the Advisory Council on Sustainable Energy Supply of Alūksne Region (approved on May 30, 2007)**

#### **I. General provisions**

1. The Advisory Council on Sustainable Energy Supply of Alūksne Region (further in the text – the Advisory Council) was formed in compliance with the decision of the Alūksne Regional Municipality "On the Establishment of the Advisory Council on Sustainable Energy Supply of Alūksne Region" of April 26, 2007 (Prot. No.4, Paragraph 6). In order to promote the execution of the tasks of the Advisory Council and improve its operation, representatives from the municipalities, commerce and mass media are included into its staff. In its operation the Advisory Council observes the existing normative acts.

## II. The rights and obligations of the Advisory Council

2. The Advisory Council has the following obligations:

- 2.1. assessment of the existing condition of energy supply and elaboration of recommendations for the Municipality how to solve energy supply issues taking into account the requirements of the European Energy Chart, the Protocol of the European Energy Chart on energy efficiency and related environmental aspects signed in Lisbon on December 17, 1994, and other documents and normative acts of the European Union's policy concerning energetics;
- 2.2. acquaintance of the Municipality and the population with the energy supply issues;
- 2.3. elaboration of a sustainable development plan in energetics for the Alūksne area using the information provided by municipalities and enterprises;
- 2.4. reviewing the energy supply conceptions, programmes and projects, and preparation of their assessment;
- 2.5. advancing proposals for the activities which promote rational and environment-friendly application of energy resources and decrease the consumption of energy.

3. The Advisory Council performs its tasks in cooperation with the other government and municipal institutions in the field of energetic ecology and energy efficiency.

4. The Advisory Council may form working groups for the development of particular energy supply themes and solution of problems. The materials worked out by the working groups are reviewed and accepted at the session of the Advisory Council.

5. Competent specialists from various institutions may be involved in the working groups organised by the Advisory Council.

6. The Advisory Council has the rights:

- 6.1. to cooperate with the other government and municipal institutions, as well as to ensure mutual exchange of information which is necessary to perform the work task;
- 6.2. to involve the specialists and responsible officials from the Alūksne Town Municipality, the Municipality of the Ape Town with a Rural Territory into the collection of the necessary information for the execution of the work task.

## III. The composition and organisation of the work of the Advisory Council

7. The composition of the Advisory Council is set by the Alūksne Regional Council.

8. The session of the Advisory Council is convoked by the Chairman of the Advisory Council setting the time, the place, the agenda and the invited persons.

9. The sessions of the Advisory Council are convoked at least once in six months.

10. An extraordinary session of the Advisory Council is convoked if it is demanded by the Chairman of the Advisory Council or at least two members of the Advisory Council motivating its necessity.

11. The Advisory Council has the right to take a decision if more than a half of the members of the Advisory Council participate at the session.

12. The Advisory Council takes decisions by majority of votes of the participating members of the Advisory Council. If the number of votes is equal, the decisive is the vote of the Chairman of the Advisory Council.

13. The sessions of the Advisory Council are protocolled. The protocol is signed by the Chairman of the Advisory Council and the rapporteur of the session.

14. The members of the Advisory Council may receive a reimbursement for the work at the Advisory Council from the finances allotted for the activities of the Advisory Council.

15. The Alūksne Regional Municipality is in charge for the technical provision of the work of the Advisory Council.

#### IV. The Chairman of the Advisory Council

16. The obligations of the Chairman of the Advisory Council are:

- 16.1. to organise the work of the Advisory Council;
- 16.2. to promote the fulfilment of the decisions taken by the Advisory Council;
- 16.3. to exercise other responsibilities set by these regulations.

17. The Chairman of the Advisory Council has the right:

- 17.1. to represent the Advisory Council in relations with other persons without a particular mandate;
- 17.2. to receive the information, conclusions, explanations and technical provision which are necessary for the work of the Advisory Council;
- 17.3. to initiate nomination of the members or their expulsion from the Advisory Council;
- 17.4. to exercise the other rights set according to these regulations.

18. The Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Council performs the functions of the Chairman of the Advisory Council during the absence of the latter.

#### V. Introduction of amendments in the Regulations

19. The Alūksne Regional Municipality may introduce amendments in the Regulations of the Advisory Council by its own initiative or at the proposal of the Chairman of the Advisory Council.

Six meetings and several seminars have been held since the council was formed on 26 April, 2007. Ten publications on Aluksne SBSEA energetics matters can be found in the local and republic newspapers and journals as well. More information about the activities can be found on the website of Alūksne district in: <http://www.aluksne.lv/rajons/?ID=17>