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**From:** Jim Karch <jkarch@cityblm.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 13, 2014 1:21 PM  
**To:** Pinnamaraju, Vasudha  
**Cc:** Ken Springer; Michael Brown; Tom Bierma; Wayne Aldrich  
**Subject:** RE: PHG Energy Information requested

I would like to attend this meeting as well.

Thanks,

Jim

Jim Karch, P.E. CFM  
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To: Wayne Aldrich <waldrich@normal.org>, Michael Brown<mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org>, Ken Springer <Ken@bnbiz.org>, Tom Bierma<tbierma@ilstu.edu>, "Jim Karch, PE CFM" <jkarch@cityblm.org>  
From: "Pinnamaraju, Vasudha" <VPinnamaraju@mcplan.org>  
Date: 02/13/2014 01:19PM  
Subject: RE: PHG Energy Information requested

Count me in as well.

Vasu

**Vasudha Pinnamaraju, AICP**

Executive Director



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**Sent:** Thursday, February 13, 2014 1:18 PM

**To:** Michael Brown; Ken Springer; Tom Bierma; Jim Karch, PE CFM; Pinnamaraju, Vasudha

**Subject:** RE: PHG Energy Information requested

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**From:** Michael Brown [mailto:[mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org](mailto:mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org)]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 13, 2014 9:43 AM

**To:** Ken Springer; Tom Bierma; Jim Karch, PE CFM; Vasudha Pinnamaraju

**Cc:** Wayne Aldrich

**Subject:** Fwd: PHG Energy Information requested

Good morning,

I had an interesting conversation about biomass gasification to energy with Mike Pawlowski of PHG Energy yesterday

, thanks to Wayne for referring him to me. See his email below as well as some links to learn more about what their company has done in other communities such as Covington, Tennessee with biomass gasification energy generation.

Mike lives near here in Fairbury; I discussed the possibility of setting up a meeting with a few people in from Bloomington-Normal to hear more about the possibilities from this technology. My goal is simply to expose

some key

people to this information in case there is some local potential and interest for such a facility. The benefits could be multiple--clean

and renewable

energy

from local waste biomass

, new jobs, etc.

Please note, this is unrelated to the Paradigm Bio-aviation project. But as this is a related technology, if Paradigm were to move forward with their plans for a municipal solid waste to energy facility, there is always a possibility that PHG could end up assisting in some way with that project.

Please let me know if you would be interested in attending a meeting with Mike to learn more, or if you know someone else who should attend.

Thanks,

Michael

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Michael,

We provide our clients with proven industrial grade technology to extract energy from waste products and other biomass (tree trimmings) ... and drastically reduce troublesome waste streams. The patented technology at PHG Energy revolutionizes the gasification process in which waste materials or renewable biomass are cleanly converted to a fuel similar to natural gas. The fuel can be used for thermal applications, kilns or boilers, or used to produce electricity.

Partnering with PHG Energy can help solve the mounting problem of municipal and industrial waste streams that will end up in local landfills and the costs associated with that process. My goal is to see how we can help you.

The following links will take you to recent media coverage of the PHG Energy gasification process for the city of Covington. Mayor David Gordon did his own research and then sought us out. He now is asking us to reach out to others and share the story:

[http://www.marketwatch.com/story/phg-energy-and-general-electric-provide-renewable-power-to-west-tennessee-city-2013-12-18?reflink=MW\\_news\\_stmp](http://www.marketwatch.com/story/phg-energy-and-general-electric-provide-renewable-power-to-west-tennessee-city-2013-12-18?reflink=MW_news_stmp)

and for the full case study for the city of Covington:

<http://www.phgenergy.com/case-study/covington-tenn>

Plus I wanted to share some trade coverage about PHG Energy. The attached link will take you to the on line version of the October issue of Biomass Magazine. Our Vice President Chris Koczaja on the cover, a four-page article inside (see p. 20) and our ad on the back, I hope you will enjoy hearing more about PHG Energy's gasification plant for the City of Covington, Tennessee.

[http://issuu.com/bbiinternational/docs/october\\_13-bmm-issuu](http://issuu.com/bbiinternational/docs/october_13-bmm-issuu)

Thank you for your time today. Please feel free to write/call with any comments or questions. We are interesting in helping you reduce waste streams and create energy.

I will follow up with you next week to check on future meeting potential.

Mike Pawlowski

PHG Energy

815.692.4220 office

 cell

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**To:** Greg Troemel  
**Subject:** RE: phone number

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 10:18 AM  
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Hi Greg,  
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The Pantagraph  
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**From:** Greg Troemel  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 12:44 PM  
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Could get merky at some point. By the time that project becomes real he's liable to have been retired from their council...

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**From:** Alan S M Robinson <AlanR@paradigmbioaviation.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 23, 2014 3:01 PM  
**To:** Justine Robinson  
**Subject:** Re: Project timeline, siting ordinance description, Draft Hosting agreement and Mayoral briefing paper

Dear Justine

Thank you for the request and I am happy to provide you with the information.

However, you have specifically asked about a site in Normal. My delay in responding to you is this involves breaching an agreed confidentiality with the selling party and so I have necessarily sought their permission to discuss with you. Unfortunately, I am still waiting for the response to go ahead.

What I can say is this:

- We have found a very suitable site (70+ acres) situated within the northern boundary of town of Normal, which is already partially developed.
- We have sought the agreement of McLean county that they will not object to the Siting approval process being managed by the Town of Normal rather than the County, as has previously been the case.
- The Town of Normal has been willing to pass a new ordinance to deal with the process of the Siting Approval and are keen for us to use the site chosen
- The initial engineering Fatal Flaw analysis on this site is much more favourable than the previous one on Nord Land
- From my discussions with Mark Peterson, the traffic access and garbage truck re-routing both for Normal and for Bloomington, should not be a penalty for public works departments.
- As the site is already partially developed, the time for IBR construction can be cut by 12 months.
- We have just about finished the draft feedstock and host agreements based upon the existing agreement with Texas, which will go to lawyers next week.
- I have discussed outline terms with Mark before Christmas and dependant upon the blessing of George Mueller, our attorney, I would hope to give him the summary proposal next week.
- As regards project funding, the approval to proceed with two sites simultaneously (Illinois and Texas) is going to Credit committee in New York, on Friday of this week.
- I arrived in BNI yesterday and will be going on to Washington, DC, next week for various meetings with CAAFI, USDA and our funding partners.

Given all of the above I would like to book a meeting with David and yourself the week commencing February 3rd?

With Regards,

*Alan S M Robinson*

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On 10 Jan 2014, at 08:20, Justine Robinson <[jrobinson@cityblm.org](mailto:jrobinson@cityblm.org)> wrote:

Good Morning Alan,

I hope this email finds you safe and warm after the holiday season!

My purpose in reaching out this morning is to see if we can get an update regarding your potential project in Bloomington-Normal? The Council has heard some mention of a potential site in Normal and are interested to know where things stand. If you can please respond when you have a moment, I would very much appreciate it.

Sincerely,

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**Justine Robinson, Economic Development Coordinator**

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**From:** Marcy Kaufman  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2014 8:06 AM  
**To:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Cc:** Tom Ramirez  
**Subject:** RE: Tons of Waste - Electronics

Wayne,

Tom said that his totals do not include Electronics. However, he said that Paradigm does not want our electronics, so do you still need those numbers?

*Marcy Kaufman*

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**From:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Sent:** Monday, August 11, 2014 9:10 AM  
**To:** Marcy Kaufman  
**Subject:** FW: Tons of Waste

Waste totals

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**From:** Scott Dennewitz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 06, 2014 11:41 AM  
**To:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Subject:** Tons of Waste

Wayne,

Here are some numbers from 2013 for the jet fuel plant!

Brush 3893 tons per year  
Leaves 660 tons per year  
Landscape 968 tons per year

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Scott

Scott Dennewitz  
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**From:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Sent:** Monday, July 28, 2014 7:21 AM  
**To:** McCurdy, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: Town Recycling Participation

Mike,  
The number is currently 58% in Normal.

Thanks,  
Wayne

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**From:** McCurdy, Michael [<mailto:mjmccur@ilstu.edu>]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 25, 2014 6:07 PM  
**To:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Subject:** Town Recycling Participation

Hey Wayne,

Random question. What's the recycling participation rate in Normal? Wasn't it pushing 60%?

I'm working on an interview about Paradigm BioAvation. Their process could disrupt the recycling systems in the community.

Thanks...

MIKE MCCURDY

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**From:** Bruce Meeks <4meeks@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2013 1:52 PM  
**To:** Bruce Meeks; Alex McElroy; Robin Weaver  
**Subject:** Re: Waste Disposal - Twin Cities

Dear Alex and Robin,

After some thought on the matter I did send a slightly modified version of this email to both the Town of Normal Council and City of Bloomington as well as I hope to both City Managers.

I know you both have and will continue your very solid work effort on this matter as directed. It was to support your efforts I choose to broaden the dispensing of my questions.

Kindly,

Bruce Meeks

On 2/21/2013 12:55 PM, Bruce Meeks wrote:

Dear Alex and Robin,

This email is about discussing the waste disposal for both cities in the future. Clearly we know that the local landfill will be full by May 2016 unless the waste is taken to for example - Pontiac and Clinton. Which may be already occurring and thus less utilization of the local landfill which might extend it's life.

My questions are probably already been asked and answered by yourselves and others. So pardon me for not having all the knowledge on this topic. These are my offering of open and transparent questions to add to the discussion.

This email does focus on Waste to Energy which on purpose is **not** about which design, process or what kind of energy would be produced. (i.e. - syngas, thermal, liquid, steam, bioreactor, algae)

Clearly this particular discussion is focused on the **cash** cost of any alternative to the municipality(ies), citizens and business's if a paradigm shift occurs away from bulldozing a hole and putting MSW in it.

Meaning in the simplest terms what will be the tipping fee costs of any alternative. Not factoring in anything else but that for this discussion.

a.) But logically it would seem that the first question that needs answered in my thought process is there a **compelling desire by the municipality(ies)** to explore the alternatives ?

If the current question of doing something different with 109,000 tons a year of MSW by or before 2016 is what at least we all see (*citizens, elected officials, staff*) is agreed to with the answer of ---- YES.

b.) Then, who will take the leadership role to move this complex shift like this with a clear increase in cost and educate the citizens so they can make a well informed choice ?

It must be factored in that any alternative(s) will cost more than any EPA approved land fill new or old. Any technical solution that I am aware of will be more expensive than landfilling here in the Midwest at this moment in time.

Our costs here even if we think they are high at this moment in time are far lower than many other cities and states for electricity and natural gas here in the United States.



- c.) So do we know if available capacity will be an issue when the local landfill closes in 2016 ?
- d.) Do we know if the costs will go up at a normal pace or will they because of supply and demand escalate ?
- e.) What are the known options and potential projected costs after 2016 to landfill at other locations outside of Bloomington-Normal ?
- f.) Is there date marked on everyone's calender (*citizens, elected officials, staff*) that a choice must be made to what is the next best direction to go for MSW for Bloomington-Normal ?
- g.) Is there an organized joint discussion group between the both staffs of Bloomington or Normal with a structure and plans to explore the alternatives ? Assuming to answer this question the question a.) is yes.
- h.) Can the cities of Bloomington and Normal jointly commission, build or contract out commissioning and building a MSW plant of their own ?
- i.) Do both staffs have their representative governing bodies and thus City Manager release and guidance to pursue a wide range of solutions for 109,000 tons a year of MSW in any alternative way besides landfilling ?

Kindly, keep in mind I am asking the questions not making any suggestions or offering any solutions at this time. This is not to be taken as ANY kind of commentary on you work efforts to date at all. Quite the contrary  
it is because of your work efforts that I come to be of any help I can on having this discussion to make for all of us well informed choices.

Bruce Meeks  


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**From:** Wayne Aldrich  
**Sent:** Friday, August 15, 2014 2:24 PM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Cc:** Brian Day  
**Subject:** Waste Collection Costs per Ton  
**Attachments:** Waste Collection Costs\_2013.xlsx

Mark,  
Attached is a spreadsheet which breaks down the overall cost per ton of waste. For the waste that would be delivered to Paradigm, our estimated cost is \$18.37 per TON.

-Wayne

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## Waste Collection Costs 2013

Waste Collected	Tons Collected in 2013	Cost	Cost per Ton
Recycled Material*	3667	(\$80,000.00)	(\$21.82)
Household Waste	8335	\$370,407.00	\$44.44
Leaves & Landscape Waste**	1628	\$31,546.00	\$19.38
Brush***	3893	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,523</b>	<b>\$321,953.00</b>	<b>\$18.37</b>

\*Estimated based on revenue received from Midwest Fiber for recycle materials

\*\*Paid to ISU

\*\*\*Cost for brush collection and chipping not included.

Additional Note: This chart does not include electronics waste or contribution to Household Hazardous Waste Collections.

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**From:** Alan Robinson <alanr@paradigmbioaviation.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 09, 2013 1:54 PM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Re: Question

Gail

Not good news

With Regards  
Alan

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On 9 Aug 2013, at 12:52, "Mark Peterson" <[mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)> wrote:

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Alan! Mark

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**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 11:36 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Re: Question

Mark

Thank you for the heads-up regarding the enquiry from Donny Herrin.

Yes, Donny Herrin has been retained by Orval to do certain background research, principally in relation to counsel planning matters, where he seems to have a historic and an ongoing interest in such matter as he attends a number of public meeting for his own knowledge.

We ran a background check and established he has a prison record where he worked as a librarian. We were assured that he was accepted as a legitimate researcher as he had performed work for certain political figures in the Bloomington area.

Clearly if there is any concern as to his standing to perform the part time work he is doing then we would wish to know sooner rather than later.

I am in Florida and North Carolina for the next 2 weeks, but I can be reached on my cell phone, [REDACTED] or I can give you a call?

With regards,

*Alan*

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**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** a couple of things...

1. Adam called and wants to meet with you at 6:00 p.m. prior to Monday's meeting regarding a status update on the Magers/Tinervin project. He would like to include Kevin McCarthy and Jim Fruin as well.
2. Am I to schedule the meeting with David Hales and members of Town staff regarding the Allied Waste contract and Paradigm?

*Sandy Fedden  
Administrative Secretary  
Town of Normal  
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[sfedden@normal.org](mailto:sfedden@normal.org)*

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**Wendy Briggs**

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**From:** Sally Heffernan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2013 11:47 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Accepted: Alan Robinson (President & CEO, Paradigm BioAviation)

**Wendy Briggs**

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**From:** Sally Heffernan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2013 9:13 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Accepted: Alan Robinson (President & CEO, Paradigm BioAviation)

**Wendy Briggs**

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**From:** Steven Mahrt  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2013 9:22 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Accepted: Alan Robinson (President & CEO, Paradigm BioAviation)

**Wendy Briggs**

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**From:** Administration Conference Room 216  
**Sent:** Monday, July 15, 2013 10:51 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Accepted: Alan Robinson (President & CEO, Paradigm BioAviation)

**Your request was accepted.**

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**Wendy Briggs**

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**From:** Multi-Purpose Room 409  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 4:09 PM  
**To:** Sandy Fedden  
**Subject:** Accepted: Paradigm Aviation

**Your request was accepted.**

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## Wendy Briggs

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**Subject:** Alan Robinson (President & CEO, Paradigm BioAviation)  
**Location:** Administration Conference Room 216

**Start:** Thu 7/18/2013 4:00 PM  
**End:** Thu 7/18/2013 5:00 PM  
**Show Time As:** Tentative

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded

**Organizer:** Mark Peterson  
**Required Attendees:** Mark Peterson (mpeterson@normal.org); Sally Heffernan; Steven Mahrt

## Wendy Briggs

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**Start:** Thu 7/18/2013 4:00 PM  
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**Show Time As:** Tentative

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded

**Organizer:** Mark Peterson  
**Required Attendees:** Mark Peterson (mpeterson@normal.org)



## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Sally Heffernan  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 31, 2014 9:20 PM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Re: Letters of Support

Yes. Tomorrow.

Sent from my iPhone  
Sally Heffernan  
Assistant to the City Manager  
Town of Normal  
11 Uptown Circle  
Normal, IL 61761

> On Jul 31, 2014, at 5:12 PM, "Mark Peterson" <[mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)> wrote:

>

> Sally, Can you draft something for the Mayor to sign for these guys? Thanks, mp

>

> Mark R. Peterson

> City Manager

> Town of Normal

> Normal, IL 61761

> (309) 454-9777

> [mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)<<mailto:mpeterson@normal.org>>

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> From: Mayor Chris Koos

> Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2014 5:00 PM

> To: Mark Peterson

> Subject: Fwd: Letters of Support

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> FYI

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> Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Robert Fazzini" <[robert.fazzini@gmail.com](mailto:robert.fazzini@gmail.com)<<mailto:robert.fazzini@gmail.com>>>

> To: "Mayor Chris Koos" <[ckoos@normal.org](mailto:ckoos@normal.org)<<mailto:ckoos@normal.org>>>, "

> [jason@jasonbarickman.org](mailto:jason@jasonbarickman.org)<<mailto:jason@jasonbarickman.org>>"

> <[jason@jasonbarickman.org](mailto:jason@jasonbarickman.org)<<mailto:jason@jasonbarickman.org>>>, "

> [mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org](mailto:mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org)<<mailto:mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org>>"

> <[mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org](mailto:mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org)<<mailto:mbrown@ecologyactioncenter.org>>>, "

> [kcobrien@illinois.edu](mailto:kcobrien@illinois.edu)<<mailto:kcobrien@illinois.edu>>" <[kcobrien@illinois.edu](mailto:kcobrien@illinois.edu)<<mailto:kcobrien@illinois.edu>>>, "Tari  
> Renner" <[trenner@iwu.edu](mailto:trenner@iwu.edu)<<mailto:trenner@iwu.edu>>>

> Cc: "Alan S M Robinson" <[AlanR@paradigmbioaviation.com](mailto:AlanR@paradigmbioaviation.com)<<mailto:AlanR@paradigmbioaviation.com>>>

> Subject: Letters of Support

> Paradigm BioAviation is progressing in its objective to invest \$120 million for plant and specialized gasification equipment in our community to turn municipal solid waste (garbage) into synthetic jet fuel. In dealing with our New

York bankers evidence of local support has been requested. With that in mind we are contacting our four State Elected Officials, the Mayors of Bloomington and Normal, Governor Quinn, McLean County EDC, McLean County Ecology Action Center and the Illinois Sustainable Technology Center to provide Letters of Support for our project in the community.

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> The attachment provides many reasons to support the Paradigm BioAviation project. I would like the opportunity to visit with each of you to explain in more detail where we are with the project and request your help in providing a Letter of Support. Please provide some dates/times that I might visit with you, and I will make plans to do over coffee, lunch or in your office if that is more convenient. If you would like me to provide a draft Letter of Support for your consideration, then I would do that prior to or after our visit.

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> Robert B. Fazzini

> Consultant for Paradigm BioAviation

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> Click

here<<https://www.mailcontrol.com/sr/sJpeiE!EVfHWQxILzJ5p93nvzt77Dn2BzxkgLUZmgWiDQepRfZnvZQioRsiPRwZKvXJO3m9iODG2dVIKq6wl4Q==>> to report this email as spam.

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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Neil Seldman <nseldman@ilsr.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 03, 2014 10:59 AM  
**To:** Robert Fazzini  
**Cc:** Alan S M Robinson; Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Re: Mark Peterson contact information

I will call Mr. Peterson this afternoon.

Once completed, I plan to send the piece to local daily and weekly newspapers. I have talked to one reporter last month and she was interested in seeing the piece. I have not followed up as the piece has been delayed as you know.

Neil

On Tue, Jun 3, 2014 at 11:23 AM, Robert Fazzini <[robert.fazzini@gmail.com](mailto:robert.fazzini@gmail.com)> wrote:

**Mark Peterson is the City Manager of the Town of Normal, which is where we anticipate the Paradigm BioAviation plant will be located. We have been working with Mark Peterson and the Mayor of Normal as well as the City Manager and Mayor of Bloomington where there has been encouragement to proceed with our project. In fact, the Town of Normal is in process of presenting a Siting Ordinance to the Town Council for approval still this month, and we are already working with Mark and his attorneys on a Host Agreement.**

**As an aside, let me share with you the primary reasons that the Bloomington-Normal community was chosen to be the first site in the country for our unique Municipal Solid Waste (garbage) to synthetic jet fuel process:**

- 1. The local land fill will be at its capacity within two years, which is the time frame in which we anticipate having the plant operational.**
- 2. There are enough airports within 50-75 miles to accept our anticipated output of synthetic jet fuel.**
- 3. The plant input of approximately 600 tons per day of Municipal Solid Waste is available from sources in McLean County where there is currently approximately 900 tons per day of Municipal Solid Waste.**

**Here is the contact information for Mark Peterson:**

**Email:** [mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)

**Office:** [309 454-9777](tel:3094549777) (Administrative Assistant is Sandy)

**Cell:** [REDACTED]

Neil, we look forward to seeing the final draft of your article after your conversation with Mark Peterson. I just left a voice mail for Mark regarding your call to him in the next day or two. I also sent him an email with some information and a copy of the draft article. It would be useful to know what the published distribution of the article will be if you could share that information with us. Thank you for sharing the information about the potential need for our project in Puerto Rico by giving us the contact information of your friend, Bill Holmberg at the American Council of Renewable Energy (202 777-7588).

Robert B. Fazzini

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Neil Seldman  
President  
Institute for Local Self-Reliance  
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Washington, DC 20009  
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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Mark Peterson  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 06, 2014 11:08 AM  
**To:** Sandy Fedden  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Forward Notification: Alan Robinson - Paradigm - reference his email of 2/15/14

Sandy, Please include Steve M. and Sally in this meeting. mp

*Mark R. Peterson*  
*City Manager*  
*Town of Normal*  
*Normal, IL 61761*  
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-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Microsoft Exchange **On Behalf Of** Sandy Fedden  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 06, 2014 11:07 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Meeting Forward Notification: Alan Robinson - Paradigm - reference his email of 2/15/14  
**When:** Monday, February 10, 2014 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:**

### Your meeting was forwarded

Sandy Fedden has forwarded your meeting request to additional recipients.

#### Meeting

Alan Robinson - Paradigm - reference his email of 2/15/14

#### Meeting Time

Monday, February 10, 2014 2:00 PM-3:00 PM.

#### Recipients

Mark Peterson

Administration Conference Room 216

All times listed are in the following time zone: (GMT-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)

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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Mark Peterson  
**Sent:** Friday, July 18, 2014 4:26 PM  
**To:** Todd Shumaker  
**Subject:** RE: Midwest Fiber Meeting

Todd, Sure! I will have my secretary set something up. mp

*Mark R. Peterson*  
*City Manager*  
*Town of Normal*  
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**From:** Todd Shumaker [<mailto:tshumaker@midwest-fiber.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 18, 2014 3:28 PM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Midwest Fiber Meeting

Afternoon Mark,

Hope all is well. I have intended to send this email for several months and never gotten to it. The recent article regarding Paradigm in The Pantagraph prompted me to write today request a meeting with you.

Could we get on your calendar in the next few weeks to discuss proposed waste-to-jet-fuel facility and the impact it could have on current recycling programs.

*Todd Shumaker*  
**Midwest Fiber**  
INCORPORATED

*Todd Shumaker*

Director of Sales and Procurement  
Office (309)452-0064 ext 100  
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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** David Hales <dhailes@cityblm.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 11, 2012 9:30 AM  
**To:** William R Wasson  
**Cc:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** RE: Monthly Meeting

Thanks, see you Monday morning. .

David  
David A. Hales  
City Manager  
City of Bloomington  
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Bloomington, IL 61702-3157  
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[dhailes@cityblm.org](mailto:dhailes@cityblm.org)

-----"Wasson, Bill" <[Bill.Wasson@mcleancountyil.gov](mailto:Bill.Wasson@mcleancountyil.gov)> wrote: -----

To: "David Hales" <[dhailes@cityblm.org](mailto:dhailes@cityblm.org)>, "Mark Peterson" <[mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)>  
From: "Wasson, Bill" <[Bill.Wasson@mcleancountyil.gov](mailto:Bill.Wasson@mcleancountyil.gov)>  
Date: 10/11/2012 09:01AM  
Subject: RE: Monthly Meeting

I have it on my calendar. We have not heard from them for about a year. I'd be interested in an update.

William R. (Bill) Wasson

County Administrator

McLean County Administrator's Office

Room 401

115 E. Washington St.

Bloomington, IL 61702-2400

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**From:** David Hales [<mailto:dhailes@cityblm.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 11, 2012 9:00 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson; Wasson, Bill  
**Subject:** Monthly Meeting

Mark and Bill,

Are the two of you available to meet on Monday morning at 7:00am at IHOP?

One topic I would like to discuss is the Paradigm Waste to Jet Fuel project and its impact on future landfill contracts. I met with Alan and Lester yesterday and can provide you with an update assuming you did not have your own meetings with these two gentlemen.

David

*David A. Hales*  
City Manager  
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[dhales@cityblm.org](mailto:dhales@cityblm.org)



## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Wendy Briggs  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2014 9:35 AM  
**To:** Mindy Dance  
**Subject:** RE: Online Form Submittal: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

Well, just Paradigm and Brian suggests the following:

Alan Robinson, Rob Fazzini (Robert), George Mueller, host agreements, feedstock agreements

Shouldn't come up with much except for Fazzini

Wendy Briggs  
City Clerk  
Town of Normal  
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Normal, IL 61761  
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(309) 454-9630 - fax

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**From:** Mindy Dance  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2014 9:29 AM  
**To:** Wendy Briggs  
**Subject:** RE: Online Form Submittal: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

What are my keywords besides ParadigmBioAviation?

Thank you,

**Mindy L. Dance**  
**Information Systems Manager**  
**Town of Normal**  
**11 Uptown Circle**  
**Normal, IL 61761**  
**Phone: 309-454-9612**  
**Fax: 309-454-9667**

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**From:** Teri Legner  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2014 9:22 AM  
**To:** Mindy Dance  
**Subject:** FW: Online Form Submittal: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

FYI. Please let me know when you've fulfilled this request.  
Thanks!!

teri

Teri Legner  
Director of Information Technology  
Town of Normal  
11 Uptown Circle  
Normal, IL 61761  
Phone: (309)454-9608  
Fax: (309)454-9667  
[tlegner@normal.org](mailto:tlegner@normal.org)

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**From:** Wendy Briggs  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2014 9:14 AM  
**To:** Dept Heads  
**Subject:** FW: Online Form Submittal: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

Please submit all your information by Friday, September 12. IT – we will need e-mails.

Wendy Briggs  
City Clerk  
Town of Normal  
11 Uptown Circle  
Normal, IL 61761  
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(309) 454-9630 - fax

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**From:** [noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com) [<mailto:noreply@civicplus.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2014 8:58 AM  
**To:** Rachelle Leuty; Wendy Briggs  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

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## FOIA Request (Non-Police)

### REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Requestor's Name: Rick Galbreath  
Address: 3 Mallard Court  
City: Bloomington  
State: IL  
Zip: 61704  
Telephone Number (s): 3096647741  
Email Address: [gteam106@yahoo.com](mailto:gteam106@yahoo.com)  
Person/Business Represented: Rick Galbreath (me)  
Report Options: ☐ Will Pick up Report (We will notify you when ready) ☒ E Mail Report  
☐ Mail Report

#### Mail Report to (if different from above)

Address:  
City:  
State:

Zip:  
Request is for [ ] Yes [X] No  
Commercial Purposes  
Signature Richard (Rick) Galbreath  
(Please Type your Name):  
Date of Request: 9/8/14  
**\*FEE: 10 Cents per Page AFTER the First 50 Pages**  
Report Number (if any):  
Date (s) Last 36 months  
Pertaining to Record:  
Location:  
Type of Public Records (Be Specific) I would like to see all reports, presentations and correspondence with and about ParadigmBioAviation from all sources (fax, email, paper) in the last 36 months. I would also like to see any and all research done on this organization by Town staff. I don't mean to be a bother on this but feel it is important that we be fully informed on what is going on, who this company is, what they plan to do, what Town representatives think about same. I know that you all are slammed with important work and, as such, I would appreciate it if you'd take two weeks to get this information pulled. I know that the statute says 5 days but, again, I don't want to put you out. If it would take longer to do a thorough record search, please just let me know. I believe is open, good government. I watch your Council meetings frequently and know that Normal is best in class. Thanks for your help on this.  
Unless otherwise notified, your request for public records will be complied with within five (5) working days after its receipt. Commercial requests will be complied with within 21 working days. \*PLEASE NOTE some public records may be exempt and will be redacted or denied under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

The following form was submitted via your website: FOIA Request (Non-Police)

Requestor's Name:: Rick Galbreath

Address:: 3 Mallard Court

City:: Bloomington

State:: IL

Zip:: 61704

Telephone Number (s):: 3096647741

Email Address:: [gteam106@yahoo.com](mailto:gteam106@yahoo.com)

Person/Business Represented:: Rick Galbreath (me)

Report Options: E Mail Report

Address::

City::

State::

Zip::

Request is for Commercial Purposes: No

Signature (Please Type your Name):: Richard (Rick) Galbreath

Date of Request:: 9/8/14

Report Number (if any)::

Date (s) Pertaining to Record:: Last 36 months

Location::

Type of Public Records (Be Specific): I would like to see all reports, presentations and correspondence with and about ParadigmBioAviation from all sources (fax, email, paper) in the last 36 months. I would also like to see any and all research done on this organization by Town staff.

I don't mean to be a bother on this but feel it is important that we be fully informed on what is going on, who this company is, what they plan to do, what Town representatives think about same.

I know that you all are slammed with important work and, as such, I would appreciate it if you'd take two weeks to get this information pulled. I know that the statute says 5 days but, again, I don't want to put you out. If it would take longer to do a thorough record search, please just let me know.

I believe is open, good government. I watch your Council meetings frequently and know that Normal is best in class. Thanks for your help on this.

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Form submitted on: 9/8/2014 8:58:05 AM

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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** David Hales <dhaless@cityblm.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 05, 2012 11:15 AM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Re: Paradigm BioAviation - Letter of Interest

Thanks, that is what I needed to know.

David

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To: David Hales <[dhaless@cityblm.org](mailto:dhaless@cityblm.org)>  
From: Mark Peterson <[mpeterson@normal.org](mailto:mpeterson@normal.org)>  
Date: 09/05/2012 09:20AM  
Subject: Re: Paradigm BioAviation - Letter of Interest

David, I only briefed the Mayor. I don't recall discussing this project with the full Council. Mp

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 5, 2012, at 9:13 AM, "David Hales" <[dhaless@cityblm.org](mailto:dhaless@cityblm.org)<<mailto:dhaless@cityblm.org>>> wrote:

Mark,

Paradigm has shared with me the two letters of interest you signed on April 30th. They have asked for similar letters from me.

My question is have you briefed all your council members regarding Paradigm's proposed waste to fuel project?

Thanks,

David

David A. Hales

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## Wendy Briggs

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**From:** Greg Troemel  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 09, 2014 3:54 PM  
**To:** Mary Ann Ford  
**Subject:** RE: forgot

I'm not aware of any movement on Paradigm, but the Enbridge thing is moving along. You may have to ask Bill on that one... 

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**From:** Mary Ann Ford [<mailto:MFord@pantagraph.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 09, 2014 3:31 PM  
**To:** Greg Troemel  
**Subject:** forgot

First of all, Happy Birthday!  
Sheila mentioned it was your birthday after you left. Sorry I didn't realize it while you were there!  
Hope you're doing something fun tonight.

Also should have asked but didn't think about an update – if there is one – on either Enbridge or Paradigm using the old Wildwood Building. Anything new on either?  
We're hoping to do an update on Paradigm next week – if there is one.  
Thanks,

Mary Ann Ford  
Reporter  
The Pantagraph  
301 W. Washington St.  
Bloomington, IL 61701  
Direct line: 309-820-3234  
Fax: 309-829-7000

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## Wendy Briggs

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**Sent:** Thursday, July 31, 2014 5:12 PM  
**To:** Mayor Chris Koos  
**Subject:** RE: Letters of Support

Mayor, I will Sally to draft a letter for you. mp

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**From:** Mayor Chris Koos  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 31, 2014 5:00 PM  
**To:** Mark Peterson  
**Subject:** Fwd: Letters of Support

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Renner" <[trenner@iwu.edu](mailto:trenner@iwu.edu)>  
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**Subject:** Letters of Support

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Robert B. Fazzini  
Consultant for Paradigm BioAviation

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