

09/08/11 Light Board Meeting

Present: Commissioners Patrick Cannon, David Irwin, Joseph DiVito, Jr. Dan Ciccariello and Stephanie Landry. Also present: Town Manager, Philip Lemnios, Operations Manager, Richard Miller.
Speakers and Guests: Congressman William Delahunt, Congressional Aide Mark Forest, Thomas Burns and Roger Jackson.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. Roger Jackson making audio and visual recordings.

Plant Manager opened with explanation of Offshore Grant and how we turned it into Research and Development Grant so that we only have to match 20% of funds.

Plant Manager gave a brief synopsis of our first Wind Conference at the Hotel. He said we made some good contacts but we need someone to promote the Town of Hull and talk to both State and Federal officials. That is why he contacted the Delahunt Group. Dick feared that we were not spending our funds fast enough and that Grant might dry up.

Congressman Delahunt introduced himself and his Aide Mark Forest. He told us that the Town of Hull is known all over the world for being a leader in Renewable Energy and that he is proud to serve our community. Mr. Delahunt said he would approach State and Federal officials to kick start interest in our Offshore Project.

Mark Forest gave a short presentation touching on both wind and tidal wave renewables. He talked briefly about the Meskeegan Channel and Cape Cod Tidal Projects. Mark noted that Hull is an established community that welcomes renewables and this is a good thing when talking to companies that might be interested in our Project.

Principals in the Delahunt Group are as follows:

William Delahunt

Mark Forest

Paul O'Sullivan

Nick Bobrob

The Delahunt Group will report to Plant Manager, Philip Lemnios through e-mails, telephone and personal face to fact meetings as needed.

Motion made by David Irwin to support the hiring of the Delahunt Group for six months at a cost of \$15,000 per month. Job description in above paragraphs. Stephanie Landry seconded the motion. Passed 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.

Public Input

There was no Public Input

Manager's Report

Dick explained outages on August 28th storm. We were out for about 8 hours.

Dick met with Garret Bradley and gave him some pictures of our transmission lines to see if he could convince National Grid to replace them.

Dick attended NEPPA Conference in Maine.

Maintenance and Service Agreements are up this year with Vestas. New Agreements are approximately \$40,000 more or less for each turbine. Dick and Phil will pick best option.

New peak this summer was 15 megawatts.

LED test streetlights will be installed in October. Location will be announced to ratepayers.

Old Business

Hull Wind II Agreement (next meeting).

Net Metering Policy needs to be addressed.

Approval of Minutes

Hold Minutes for approval until next meeting.

Next meetings are October 27, 2011 and December 1, 2011.

New Business

There was no New Business

Items for Discussion

There were no Items for Discussion

Adjournment

David Irwin made a motion to adjourn. Joseph DiVito seconded the motion. Passed 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM