

Town of Northborough
Wind Turbine Committee (WTC)

Northborough Free Library
34 Main Street 1st. Floor Conference Room
Northborough, MA 01532



Reference NWC10:04MM

MEETING MINUTES
February 17, 2010

Attendees

Members

Bob Giles
Joe McNamara
Ron Parker

Alternates

John Cragin
Maggie Harling

Advisors

Phil Johnson
David Mailly
Len Belli

Guests: Subu Kota, Jerry Hickman

1. 7:04 PM Committee called to order
2. 3 February 2010 Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved
3. Committee Reports:
 - a. Site Selection:
 - i. Awaiting SED meeting and project information for further action.
 - ii. Anticipate that meeting will occur on or about 28 February 2010
 - iii. Question I raised on potential need of building permit for MET installation. Kathy Joubert to advise.
 - iv. Mr. Belli offered a detailed comparison of Northborough RFP to SED Scope of Work. Details to be forwarded to Mr. Jones for consolidation. Main concern of differences is potential for upside charges by SED
 - b. Financial Analysis:
 - i. Mr. Parker suggests that a discussion be scheduled about public and private funding sources at an upcoming meeting.
 - ii. Question is raised on status of FRDC Study from National Grid. Ed Cahill to advise.

c. Technical Machine and Equipment:

- i. Mr. Burton is not in attendance. He is conducting a comparison s of GE 1.5Mw to EWT 900Kw turbines.
- ii. Mr. Johnson provided a tutorial on generation efficiency and urges caution on manufacturer's claims after studying live data from Hull and Princeton installations.

d. Public and Town Interface:

- i. Messrs. Maily, Chilakamari, and Halter have joined the group.
- ii. Discussion held on complimenting current newsletter format with a technical version. Ms. Harling to assess options with Mr. Johnson.
- iii. Discussion held on importance for highlighting Noise and Flicker studies in upcoming newsletters.
- iv. Current newsletter is approved and ready for publication.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM

Minutes recorded by Ron Parker