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Orleans Renewable Energy / Wind Power Committee
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Minutes of Committee Meeting
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The May 12, 2009 meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy/Wind Power Committee (REWP) was Called to Order at 4:00PM in the Nauset Meeting Room of the Town Hall. Present were Chairman Allen Kolchinsky, Committee members, Dave Hubbard, Dick Philbrick, Victor Noerdlinger, and Bob McCoy. Absent was Ken Rowell and Mary Jane Curran. BOS liaison John Jannell was present. Others present: John Hodgkinson.

REWP Committee approve the minutes for the April 28 meeting. Minutes for the April 14 minutes still are to be approved.

Correspondence: Allen mentioned that the gift house inquired about getting assistance in getting solar panels for the building at the transfer station. Allen commented on the fact that we need additional info and may only be able to point them in a direction that they can get help in acquiring the panels.

There is a second day of Town Meeting which needs to be completed before the warrant package is accepted. The Article on authorizing the BOS to consider membership in the Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative still needs to be voted on.

Allen brought up a field trip to the Mass. Maritime Academy on May 21 at 1:30PM. Those interested are to meet at Town Hall at about 12:15 to carpool.

Old Business:

Wind Energy Action Plan - Bob McCoy presented his Action Plan on the installation of a wind turbine on the watershed. A discussion followed with numerous comments.

John Hodgkinson - Would Bob put timing into the plan? Mentioned that all the facts are not in as to which model is the best, municipal or CVEC. He said the last sentence of paragraph 6 states that the municipal model.

Victor - The BOWC tends to move more control and less toward a third party control.

Allen - There's a timeline which will be hard to meet on any project.

John H. - CVEC will not agreed to give any info out until a Town is a member with a project. The BOS has to propose a project once the BOS agreed to join the CVEC. He is still pushing for the CVEC.

Motion by Bob McCoy was made and seconded by Dick Philbrick. Vote on motion as revised was 5-0-0. (Copy Attached)

Future Energy Committee - John J. presented a revised/modified version of Dick's and Mary Jane's proposal on a future energy committee. There were several comments. Every town should have a committee for input on projects in relation to energy conservation and independence. Dick has additional concerns about the impact of future sea level rising to where it will have major impacts on local community. Need to plan. Bob disagrees with beginning and some of the statements.

Exit 12 cloverleaves - Allen had heard there was no new info from the State on the status of the Exit 12 for us for wind turbines. Allen was going to redraft the previous letter to Ian Bowles and get it to the BOS requesting status of possible project. Time to get it out before Final Report?

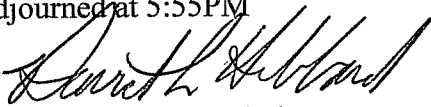
Energy Survey - John J. has revised copy from Ken Rowell. Plans on getting onto the Town's website. Questions arose as to how to get the info out to the public and getting feedback. How is Committee going to compile results? Are Committee members willing to also stand out at the P.O.'s and the Transfer Station to hand out surveys?

BOWC - Allen and John J. both agreed that the BOWC want to support a wind turbine project in the watershed. They realize that all the questions have not been answered and there is still more information to collect. The municipal model is more favorably perceived by the BOWC. John H. questioned where the money will go if it is a municipal model. If it is controlled by the BOWC then the monies will probably go to the Water Reserve Account. If the Town owns it, will the money go to the general account?

Dick Philbrick has a concern over the termination of the current Committee before another committee can be formed.

John J. brought up the Final Report by the REWPC is due on June 17, 2009.

Adjourned at 5:55PM

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David L. Hubbard", written in dark ink.

David L. Hubbard Clerk