

Orleans Renewable Energy / Wind Power Committee

Minutes of Committee Meeting July 20, 2009

The July 20, 2009 meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy/Wind Power Committee (REWE) was called to Order at 4:07PM in the Skaket Meeting Room of the Town Hall. Present were Chairman Allen Kolchinsky, Committee members, Dave Hubbard, Victor Noerdlinger, Mary Jane Curran, Dick Philbrick, Bob McCoy, and Ken Rowell. Planning Dept. liaison John Jannell was absent. Others present: None.

REWP Committee approved the minutes for the June 30, 2009 meeting.

Chair Kolchinsky asked the Committee "when is the Committee going to be asked to follow through with some of its recommendations. Brewster and Harwich seem to be progressing quite well with their turbines. It seems the BOS is taking its time to review the CVEC. Cost is only \$25????

Correspondence

The Cape Light Compact(CLC) to BOS asking about Energy Efficiency Plan. John Hodgkinson will present to BOS. Allen has no more info on program. Motion made by Mary Jane and seconded by Dick to back the presentation to the BOS. Vote 6-0-0 Bob McCoy arrived late.

Dick Philbrick commented on the need for followup by Contractors or Businesses when solar panels or wind turbines are installed. He has not heard from anyone since he has had the solar panels installed on his house. Information can be garnered from installations which may helpful in the future. Should REWPC commit to getting some program going??

Old Business

The addendum to the Final Report proposed by Bob McCoy has considered new developments in regulations. The conditions now have changed so the solar panel array on the Council of Aging is not as financially effective as was originally indicated in our final report to the BOS. Motion by Victor and seconded by Ken to "Forward the Addendum to the BOS for review and action. Vote 7-0-0.

Bob McCoy commented that the installation of wind turbines makes more sense for the Town. A second turbine could complete the supply to the Town and more.

Mary Jane reported on the Gift House. Liz Argo has supplied a quote to the Gift House for solar panels. Liz mentioned the building is too small for roof mounted panels. Ground based panels may be an option.

There are funds available through the Clean Energy Choice Grant for the Town to purchase items. Items to be considered; a solar compactor, solar lights for public parking lots, and possible work with the Committee's Energy Survey?

Mary Jane reported the State has not met on the Exit 12 cloverleaves. Energy Dept and Highway Dept plan to meet at some point to discuss the use of the cloverleaves for wind turbines.

State has only identified two locations for Wind Turbines on the Cape. These are the Mass. Maritime Academy and the Mass. Military Reservation.

Other comments related to the Board of Water Commissioners which have not been terminated to create the new Water/Sewer Commission. Current Board will meet in the first week of August.

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Next Meetings are planned for Aug. 3rd and 17th. The meeting are being moved to **Monday nights**.

Adjourned at 5:21PM

David L. Hubbard Clerk