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Renewable Energy Committee

April 6, 2010 - Minutes

A meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee was called to order at 4:03 p.m. in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall by Vice-Chair Ken Rowell.

Present: Ken Rowell, Victor Noerdlinger, David Hubbard, Kenneth Rowell, Jim Hungerford, Dick Philbrick, Cjris Galazzi, John Jannell, Planning Dept. Liaison. Carl Freeman, interested citizen.

Absent: Paul Rooker, Finance Committee liaison, and Mary Jane Curran.

Old Business:

John Jannell updated the REC(Renewable Energy Committee) on an article for the Special Town Meeting which would give the Board of Selectmen(BOS) authorization to enter into a general agreement with the Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC). This authorization is required to satisfy the Town Charter to allow the BOS to enter into agreements with CVEC. The Town will be required to vote on whether to join the CVEC on supporting the Harwich and Brewster Wind Turbine projects. A Power Purchase Agreement will have to be voted on with an up or down vote by the BOS later in the year. Jim made a motion to support the Article for the Town Meeting with Victor Noerdlinger seconded. Committee supports the Article 5-0-0.

Brewster wind turbine project is moving forward smoothly, but Harwich is encountering some rough spots.

John J. handed out paperwork on guidelines required to qualify to become a Green Community. The guideline will require some discussion by the Committee. If the town moved forward toward the Green Community designation, it could improve the chances for the Town to receive grants. Questions did arise on whether the Town could meet the requirements. A decision was made to address a section(s) of the guidelines at future meetings. John J. will try to research info items address in the guidelines.

Sample Energy Reduction Plan - John handed out DOER outline and guidelines for the Green Communities Grant Program. It is to be utilized for guidance by communities to achieve Green Community rating.

The Council On Aging project on the installation of solar panels is progressing. Town has signed contracts and is currently waiting for RFP's to be completed before sending them out to potential contractors.

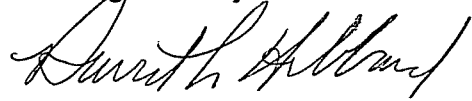
There is to be an energy audit at the fire station on Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 10AM. John Jannell and Dave H. will attend to observe. (Hubbard missed the audit)

Ken attended the get together at Staples Plaza for the display of the solar panels that were installed on the roof. Currently 381 panels installed. These have been installed at an angle to increase efficiency. No data given as to energy output.

There was no new business or correspondence.

The minutes of the March 16th meeting were approved 5-0-0

Meeting was adjourned at 5:09PM

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

David L. Hubbard, Clerk