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Renewable Energy Committee

June 1, 2010 - Minutes

A meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee was called to order at 4:02PM in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall by Vice-Chair Ken Rowell..

Present: Ken Rowell, Victor Noerdlinger, David Hubbard, Dick Philbrick, John Jannell, Planning Dept. Liaison, Paul Rooker, Finance Committee Liaison,

Absent: Mary Jane Curran, Sims McGrath, BOS liaison.

Review of Green Communities Act Guidelines - John Jannell gave a review of Guideline 4 of the GCA. Guideline 4 pertains to the vehicles of a municipal fleet. The long term objective is to reduce fossil fuel usage and reduce carbon dioxide emissions. It directs municipalities to purchase fuel efficient vehicles with particular requirements for each class of vehicle. There are exemptions for fire, police, and public works trucks but as vehicles in those classes become available, they must also be purchased. Question was asked if the Nauset Regional School District was somehow tied to Town and requirements as it is a big user of energy. No real answer. Dick Philbrick asked if the Town really has an appetite for joining in on the Green Communities Act and participate in good energy projects.

Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative - Discussion on the vote at recent Town Meeting on giving the BOS authority to sign a Power Purchase Agreement even though the recommendation was to remand it back to the BOS. This was in light of the many blanks on current agreement which the BOS and Town Council felt needed additional information to sign agreement.

CVEC Update - John J. reported that the wind project in Harwich is "dead in the water". Monies received by Harwich have been given back and no further action is in the future. Brewster is still moving along but has slowed. No towns on Islands have proposed any wind projects to date. Question was asked if there should be more contact between Orleans and CVEC or vice versa. Jim Hungerford asked if the committee wanted to take an upcoming meeting to view a video on the construction of the 1.5 Megawatt turbine at Otis/Camp Edwards. Decision was to do so. Chris Galazzi asked about past sites and if it were possible to have a discussion on the reconsideration of the sites. It was decided to have it as an agenda item in the future. The major problem with the watershed municipal wind turbine project was the lack of financial assistance from grants.

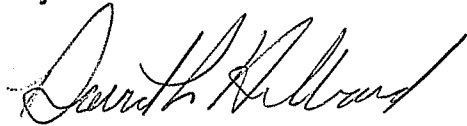
Council on Aging Solar Project - John J. reported the project was moving along nicely. A project manager has been selected and the design of project is being done currently. It will be a design, bid, and build contract and the advertise date is July 1 with bid opening on July 31, 2010.

No new business.

There was an article on the placement of two "big belly" solar compactors in Orleans. One by the CVS/bus stop in center of town and the other at the Depot Square parking lot by Mid-Cape Lumber.

Minutes of 5-4-10 were approved 6-0-0

Adjournment was at 5:47PM

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

David L. Hubbard, Clerk