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Renewable EnergyCommittee

September 7, 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 Chair Mary Jane Curran.

Present: Mary Jane Curran, Ken Rowell, Victor Noerdlinger, David Hubbard, Chris Galazzi, John Jannell, Planning Dept. Liaison; Sims McGrath, BOS liaison; Paul

Rooker, Finance Committee liaison

Absent: Dick Philbrick and Jim Hungerford.

Also present was Carl Freeman who arrived late.

Green Communities Certification and Grant Program;

Mary Jane began the meeting with urging the Committee to review the Charge of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to the Committee when it began. Mary Jane handed out a copy of the Charge for the Committee to review. Mary Jane then started the review of the Memorandum(report) prepared to send to the BOS. MJ asked the Committee for comments on the memorandum. Ken Rowell made numerous comments and several questions on several of the paragraphs. These were noted and will be included with the material for tonights meeting. They were also going to be added to the final draft of the Memorandum to the BOS.

Several other items were mentioned that should be included in the report. One is the progress on the Council on Aging solar project;

Mary Jane asked for a motion to accept the changes to the Memorandum. Ken R. made the motion and Victor N. seconded. Vote was 5-0-0.

John Jannell stated that the meeting the requirements to reach GCA designation for the Town will take work. Requirement #3 is the reduction of energy use for the Town of 20% and setting up a baseline year to utilize as a starting point. John J. had a copy of the Hopkinton, MA. reduction plan and commented on a number of points. Discussion began on ways for Orleans to improve its move toward a Green Community. What resources are out there to assist in recommending methods and directions for the Town to take? Ken R. asked if Cape Light Compact could advise. Seth Pickering as a resource? Local Tech Schools? Requirement #5, the adoption of the Stretch Code will be the most difficult to meet. Mashpee is the only town on the Cape that has a GC designation.

Update on Council of Aging Solar Project;

John Jannell gave an update on the progress of the COA project. John said that 3 bidders submitted bids for the job. The estimate for the project was \$80,000 and John said that all received bids were under the estimate. The budget looks good for the project with consideration of a maintenance contract and having the Project Manager do an audit of the building. Award of the contract will be made soon.

New Business;

The CLC Regional Energy Committee meeting will be held on Friday, October 22. Mary Jane suggested that Orleans Energy Committee host the affair. Several topics were suggested for this meeting including the Stretch Code and more information on the HERS Inspector training and certification. Ken R. made a motion for the Committee to host this meeting and Dave H. seconded. Vote was 5-0-0. Dave H. will check on legality(open meeting law).

John J. updated committee on CVEC happenings. John mentioned that CVEC is looking at the directors to join and support solar projects on landfill sites. This is a long range planning project. Many hoops to jump over and thru to reach a proposed project.

Correspondence; None

Approval of minutes from 8-17-10; Additional corrections will be made and minutes will be approved at next meeting. September 21 will be the next meeting date.

Adjourned at 5:06PM

David L. Hubbard, Clerk

Attachments
Copy of Memorandum
Minutes of 8-17-10

In Addition at meeting. Handouts Charge of the Board of Selectment to Committee Comments on Changes suggested by Ken Rowell