



Renewable Energy Committee
September 6, 2011 - Minutes

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ORLEANS TOWN CLERK

Jim Hungerford called the September 6, 2011 meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee to order at 4:010PM in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall.

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Present: Victor Noerdlinger, Jim Hungerford, David Hubbard, and Chris Galazzi, and Paul Rooker, Finance Com. liaison.

Absent; Mary Jane Curran, John Jannell, Conservation Dept.; Sims McGrath, BOS liaison.

Outreach and Education

Jim Hungerford sitting in again for Mary Jane Curran as Chair. Jim H. showed those present a copy of the "Tidings", the newsletter from the Council On Aging(COA) with the article about the installation of the solar panels and information on how to access additional information on alternative energy. Is there a possibility of having additional articles in the "Tidings" about alternative energy available. You can call or stop by to get on the mailing list of the "Tidings" which has information on many activities at the Center.

Energy Survey - Short discussion on the energy survey. Dave Hubbard suggested that if someone had further changes to email him with them. Chris Galazzi mentioned that maybe information on audits which are available through Cape Light Compact could be put into the survey with phone number to ask for one. Question on whether residents have had an audit could also be on the survey. Those present discussed the benefits of conducting such a survey. It could give the Committee an idea of what public education may be helpful to assist the Town in increasing the awareness of residents to consider energy savings. Possible distribution could be by handing out at transfer station, town Post Offices, students at Nauset Middle School(NMS), Orleans Elementary School(OES), put the

form on the Town of Orleans website, and possibly hand out at the special town meeting this fall.

The education possibilities at Orleans Middle School have yet to be determined. No information about a meeting planned on August 22.

Dave H. brought up the need to start gathering pictures and other informational write-ups for the display at the Snow Library in October. Dave will check with Ken Rowell on what pictures he has of alternative energy installations around Orleans.

New Business

Jim Hungerford met with past member Ken Rowell, current member of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners(BOWASC), and Todd ----- who is in charge of the Water Treatment Plant. Jim described how he had a tour of the Treatment Plant and the surrounding areas that may be considered for solar panels under phase II of Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative(CVEC) projects.

Jim H. attended the BOWASC meeting on 8-17-11. The Board voted to support the proposal to request consideration for roof and ground mounted solar panels at the Water Treatment Plant location. On 8-31-11, the Board of Selectmen(BOS) voted to send a letter of intent to CVEC for consideration under phase II of CVEC's solar initiative. An Request for Proposal(RFP) solicitation could be sent out in late September. The Letter of Intent was reviewed by John Kelly, Town Admin. and Michael Ford, Town Council and forwarded on to CVEC. Town of Orleans will work with CVEC on the project exclusively until December 31, 2011. John Jannell will keep the Renewable Energy Committee abreast of status.

Chris Galazzi gave an update on the status of relations with Solbridge Energy, Sustainable Energy Developments(SED), and Borrego.

Solbridge has not replied with any new information.

SED has had email contacts with Chris but nothing more.

Borrego has a basic proposal which Chris will get out to Committee members. Chris gave a summary of the proposal to those present but will get the specifics out in the future.

There was no correspondence.

The minutes of the August 16 meeting were approved with several spelling and inserted words corrections. Vote was 4-0-0

Motion to adjourn at 4:50PM.

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

David L. Hubbard, Clerk