



Renewable Energy Committee
September 27, 2012 - Minutes

Chair Jim Hungerford called the meeting of September 27, 2012 of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee to order at 4:02PM in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall.

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Present: Jim Hungerford, Dave Hubbard, Victor Noerdlinger.

Absent: David Abel, Chris Galazzi, and Dick Philbrick.
Liaisons John Jannell, Conservation; Paul Rooker, Finance; and Sims McGrath, Board of Selectmen.

Also present was Carl Freeman, interested public.

Chair Jim Hungerford opened the meeting by reviewing the Orientation Meeting held on September 24, for town committee heads and new members. Jim mentioned that there will opportunities for the OREC to use Cape Light Compact(CLC)t to educate the Orleans citizens about energy use, savings, and renewable energy available. The means to start the process would be to contact Ken Rowell and Kevin Galligan to attend a meeting and get suggestions from them on how to proceed. Jim was considering a possible bi-fold or tri-fold to distribute to the citizens of Orleans with an explanation of what is available. All attending agreed and a motion by Victor N., seconded by Dave H. "the OREC will contact both Ken and Kevin to attend a meeting to discuss the means of distributing the information to the Orleans public." Vote was 3-0-0. Carl Freeman contributed a suggestion to possibly video tape a session of Ken and Kevin during a question and answer discussion that can be aired on the local public access channels. Carl will check access and Jim will contact Ken R. and Kevin G. to see if they would be willing to participate.

Carl brought up other ideas of reduced energy consumption utilizing pedicabs for carrying passengers to Nauset and Skaket Beaches.

No new information on the progress of the solar projects being conducted by Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative(CVEC).

Discussion of cooperation between CLC and CVEC to see if there is, or was a too cozy a relationship. An organization wants an audit for the activity between them.

Carl explained a new development in turbine blades that allows for a rough surface on the blades which can increase transfer of energy. The surface is called "whale bone"

There were three members of the committee that attended the Orientation meeting on Sept. 24. Jim H. wants to hold a meeting with John Kelly to discuss the OREC's charge and clear up what the committee can research and pass on to the BOS's.

Dave H. brought up the need for all members to include the town's website to send all communication. Site is commail@town.orleans.ma.us. This will follow all open meeting requirements.

Approved the minutes of 9-13-12 on 3-0-0 vote.

Next meeting on October 11, 2012 at 4:00PM.

Vote to adjourn at 5:00PM.

David L. Hubbard, clerk