



Renewable Energy Committee
June 28, 2012 - Minutes

Mary Jane Curran called the meeting of June 28, 2012 of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee to order at 4:06PM in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall.

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Present: Jim Hungerford, Dave Hubbard, Victor Noerdlinger, Dick Philbrick, David Abel, and Mary Jane Curran, and Paul Rooker, Finance Committee liaison.

Absent: John Jannell, Conservation liaison, Sims McGrath, BOS liaison

Chair opened the meeting by welcoming Joe Cardito who may be interested in becoming a member of the OREC. Chair then mentioned she had met with John Jannell about the upcoming CVEC solar projects. John indicated the Transfer Station site is progressing but it has to proceed through many regulatory steps. The Health Department is overseeing project. The survey of the site and the permitting process has started.

The watershed site will require more steps. The Town has signed an Environmental Notification Form (ENF) and the survey has yet to be started but a local company will complete the survey. Supposedly, the ENF and the survey are required to be completed before next steps can be taken. The process has to pass review by MEPA and then a request for relief from Article 97 application can be initiated. Orleans is the only town applying for an Article 97 release for the upcoming CVEC projects.

John J. is very busy with his responsibilities in the Conservation during the summer so he will have less time with the OREC so OREC needs to keep in touch with John J. for updates on the process of both the landfill and the watershed projects.

Mary Jane handed out a copy of the Board of Selectmen's Charge to the OREC and read several passages that relate as to how the OREC is to supply information to the BOS.

Discussion on relationship of the OREC and the Town followed with a suggestion to have two committee members meet with John Jannell, Sims McGrath, and another BOS member and John Kelly to clarify the Charge for the Committee. Jim Hungerford, as vice-chair will lead quest for such a meeting and will ask Chris Galazzi to join him as the other Committee member.

Tonight is Mary Jane Curran's last meeting as she has declined and term. The July 12 meeting will require reorganization of the Committee and will be an agenda item.

Chair reminded the Committee that the Cape Light Compact has dollars available to assist the Orleans homeowners with energy saving methods and can even provide products and do installation work. A CLC representative will make a presentation to the Committee later this summer.

Jim Hungerford attended a conference of the Ocean Energy International(www.oceanenergy.com) and had several informational booklets that he passed around for OREC member to review.

Minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting were approved 5-0-0.

Victor Noerdlinger voiced a motion with a Dave Hubbard second to wish Mary Jane Curran the very best in the future. Vote was 5-0-0.

Adjourned at 5:22PM



David L. Hubbard, Clerk