



Orleans Renewable Energy Committee

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August 22, 2013 Minutes

Chair Jim Hungerford called the meeting of the Orleans Renewable Energy Committee to order at 4:10 in the Skaket Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall.

Present: Victor Noerdlinger, Jim Hungerford, Paul Cass

Liaison Representatives: Liaison Paul Rooker

Absent: Dick Philbrick, Chris Galazzi, David Hubbard, David Abel, Board of Selectman: Jon Fuller

Chair opened the meeting with a discussion of the letter that Jim will send to Paul Dudley of the DEP, concerning the Zone 1 issue in the watershed.

Jim gave a brief update, received from Ron Collins, regarding the progress on the Landfill Solar Project.

OREC is in the process of drafting an "RFI", Request for Information document. This document will be sent to a small number of Solar Installers, with a description of our Watershed Solar PV proposed project. Since the SREC market has recovered and owners can now sell their certificates at reasonable prices, we expect to see more interest, by installers, in our project. We need to have a better understanding of the types of financing available from the installers.

Orleans may have multiple approaches to financing our project. This information will become useful when the town issues formal RFPs

The film "Switch" (about all renewable energy) was again discussed. OREC will contact the distributors of the film and try to obtain a copy for viewing by town at the Orleans library. It may also be possible to broadcast the film on Lower Cape TV.

OREC will pursue setting up a visit to the "proposed solar site", previously requested by Dave Dunford of the BOS. Jon Fuller will bring this subject up at the next BOS meeting and hopefully arrive at some possible dates for the visit.

Jim mentioned that we do have copies of "the various bid documents" used by Brewster, when they built their Brewster Solar Garden. During the ORL town meeting in 2012, a sum of \$ 25K was approved to hire a consultant to develop a proposal for our watershed project. This expense may not be required.

The OREC committee, voted on and approved, changing the starting time of our meetings to 5:00PM on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. This takes effect beginning with the meeting on 9/12/13. The vote was 3-0-0.

The minutes for the meeting held on 8/8/13, were not approved. We will review the minutes at our next meeting on 9/12/13.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47PM with a vote of 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Hungerford (acting secy)

J. Hungerford Acting Clerk