

Minutes Wellfleet Energy Committee Meeting, Tuesday, February 16, 2010, 4 pm at Town Hall

Present: Jim Sexton, Paul Banner, Paul Weber, Geof Karlson, Bill Sullivan, Mike May, Dick Elkin, Paul Sieloff and John Morrissey (Finance Committee liaison)

Absent: Kathy Hubby, Peter Stewart

Geof Karlson called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. The agenda was distributed and approved. The minutes of the 1/19/10 meeting were approved.

Dick Elkin was introduced as a new member of the committee.

The following project updates were presented by Geof:

1. NSTAR – The projected Wellfleet turbine was classified to receive G-1 rates, approximately 24 cents per kw, as direct payment.
2. A better interconnect route has been determined by NSTAR which should reduce the cost of the interconnect.
3. We are still awaiting insurance costs.
4. Revisions of the pro-forma will be prepared monthly, the first revision to be posted March 1, 2010, which should reduce the number of questions posed to WEC.
5. Balloon tests: The present time is not a good time for balloon testing because of high winds. Weston and Sampson Engineering believes it can provide photo simulations from the data it has available which would probably be as good as actual balloon testing which would cost between \$3,000 and \$4,000.
6. The Environmental Assessment RFP has been published and proposals are due March 1, 2010. Meeting to review the proposals will start March 1, to be concluded by March 5th. Messrs Sexton, Weber, Sullivan and Karlson volunteered to review the proposals. This will not include dollar amounts.

The Wellfleet Forum meeting is scheduled for 7 pm March 1, 2010 at the Senior Center.

Funding: It was agreed to defer article “y” the turbine funding request until after town meeting.

Joining the Cape and Vineyard Cooperative, Article “Z” was discussed and the motion not to place the article on the Warrant was approved 4:1.

In response to an objection from the audience restricting questioning until the agenda item “Other Business”, Geof Karlson, the Chair, clarified that questions concerning facts about issues other than the agenda items themselves that would wait until “Other Business”.

On another issue, the Town Administrator, Paul Sieloff stated that he was preparing a procedure for answering requests for information received from the public.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Banner

Approved 3/2/10