

Sandwich Energy Committee



Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2012

6:30 pm

Human Services Building

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Present: Sarah, Damien, Kevin, Anne

Guests: Maggie Downey (CVEC), Everett Horn (CLC Rep.) and Jim Calligan (CVEC Rep.)

1. Welcome
2. CVEC Update with Maggie Downey
 - a. Maggie Downey gave a history of the Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative as well as the evolution of their RFP process.
 - b. Maggie confirmed that CVEC/CLC will have a presence at Town Meeting again this year with CFL giveaways and energy audit information. She will also check to see if there is staff availability to have a presence at the SEC's upcoming Earth Day event.
 - c. In terms of solar projects in Sandwich, Maggie gave an overview of the sites that were put in for the RFP, which are the most viable and why, and the details of the proposed projects which include roof mounted projects for the Oak Ridge School, Forestdale School, and High School and a ground mounted system at the Human Services property. Combined these projects are estimated to save \$129,605.53 in the first year increasing to approximately \$246,338.77 over the 20 year lifespan of the project.
3. Solar By-Law
 - a. Because a solar bylaw would need to be in place to permit the proposed ground-mounted system it is important that SEC ensures that we review and ultimately support the proposed solar bylaw, to be discussed at the March 13 Planning Board Meeting. Sarah, Kevin and Damien will most likely be able to attend and show support. Maggie also mentioned that she, or a CVEC staffer may be able to attend as well.
 - b. Kevin will review the bylaw to double check for compliance with the Green Communities Act.
4. Approval of Minutes from February Meeting
 - a. Motion approved unanimously
5. Ethics Training
 - a. Reminder to complete ethics training if not all ready completed
6. Event



- a. We are getting ready to "go live" with the Earth Day Event and begin spreading the word through the Facebook event Damien created and with the final version of the event flyer. There may be a need to meet again before our April meeting to discuss the event in more detail.
7. Mass Insight Update
 - a. Sarah will reach out to a contact with experience with the system
 - b. Damien will reach out to Doug to inquire about a contact person to help sort through the dozen "mystery" accounts in the system.
8. Alternative Meeting location
 - a. We will investigate the possibility of a new meeting location to better accommodate guests, etc.

8:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn

Minutes prepared by Sarah Cote

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