

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

Minutes of Meeting- September 23, 2009

Attendance: D Anthony, P Cabana, J Cunningham, B Doherty, F Fenlon, D Fitton, K Galligan, P Hefler, J Howard, K Johnson, B Kane, D Keuch, C Kleekamp, R Mahoney, V Marchant, R Schofield, L Stranger, C Striebel, B Worth, A Voll, W Worthington

Minutes: of July Meeting were approved as written

Energy Efficiency Update: K Galligan.

- Mr. Galligan noted that Green Affordable Homes is holding an open house on Gomes Way in Harwich which is site of 16 Habitat for Humanity Homes under construction. Significant Compact financial support for this project
- He also reported that USDA has provided a \$100,000 grant to the Compact to assist Agricultural Small Businesses
- He then provided detailed information on the updated 2010-12 proposed program. The budget will go from \$10 Million this year to a projected \$18 million in 2012. This proposed budget will be submitted by October 30 for regulatory approval which is anticipated to happen in January, 2010. Part of the process will be DPU public hearings which are expected to go on for two weeks early in December. We are proposing an increase of about 2% a year which we feel is possible, compared with the 2.7% proposed for the program.
- Amy Voll reported that 30 informational programs are currently scheduled for communities throughout the Cape. She provided each board member a copy of the schedule

Power Supply Update:

- J Soares reviewed the currently issued Long Term Option at 9.89 Cents from the next meter read to July 11, 2011. It has been very well received (already 380 customers have signed up) and several board members noting they have had good success in discussing it with customers. A Consumer Advisory will be issued in next few days detailing this offer. We will sign up enough customers to utilize the 5MW of power purchased for this purpose. Mr. Soares also noted that we will very soon come out with a new, lower price for the period from October 1 to Dec 31 of this year.
- Of interest is answer to question about going back to regular CLC service after taking a Long Term Offer. If we come out with a lower rate, you can get the lower rate by calling ConEd Solutions, but you will be restricted from re-joining another long term program for two years.
- He also explained the DOER, Solar Carve Out program which developed S-RECS to jump start the solar program in the commonwealth. CLC is opposing this effort since it gives the utilities an unfair advantage

Net Metering

- **M Downey** stated that the tariff has been filed and it facilitates loads in towns needing to be identified. Not a problem for CVEC since they can bring together accounts in many towns. However for a town like Wellfleet which hoped to install three turbines, with no load behind the meter, this will not work. They have therefore elected to go with only one turbine to be installed by the town.
- As soon as CVEC can finalize its proposals for Harwich and Brewster, it will be filed with NStar in an attempt to get into queue. No formal Queue has been set up. There is a hearing on the issue scheduled for October 14, which Maggie will attend and which will result in rescheduling out next governing board meeting.

CVEC Update

- The annual meeting of the CVEC will be held tomorrow and at that time a new slate of officers and executive committee members will be voted.
- The income statement which was promised by M Downey for this meeting is prepared, but was not presented to the board since it has not yet been approved by the CVEC board. It will be e-mailed to Board Members after it is approved
- The PV program is moving along with 8 sites totaling almost 1MW of solar being set up to be installed prior to end of this calendar year. All sites are being visited this week and final PPA's will be signed prior to installation. Price is 13.45 cents per KWH for a 15 year period. This rate is significantly higher than it would be if MTC did not drastically reduce its rebate without any notice. CVEC President has protested this and requested a roll-back.
- Wind Project active at this time are two turbines each in Harwich and Brewster, both awaiting Special Town Meeting action next month.

Streetlight Maintenance:

• During 2010, the existing Maintenance Contract with Republic Electric will expire and with a number of towns sending signals that they are not entirely satisfied with the service being received, the Streetlight Subcommittee of R Mahoney, B Schofield, B Worth and C Koblish will meet to review possible RFP issue and report back to the board. Perhaps it is time for CLC to consider purchase of a bucket truck and get into the business itself

Time of Use (TOU) Metering

F Fenlon asked about this program and the pilot programs which the utilities in the commonwealth were to run. N Star has done some work in the issue but has not elected to select any homes on Cape for this test. Most utilities are very reluctant to work on this issue

Open Meeting Law Training- This is scheduled for October 23 and all board members are invited if they choose to attend.

Changes in Meeting dates for October and November <u>On Motion by K Johnson, seconded by J Howard, moved the October Board meeting from October 14 to</u> <u>October 28</u> <u>On Motion by K Johnson, seconded by W Worthington, moved the November board meeting from</u> November 11 to November 18

Barry R Worth, Secretary