CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

Minutes of meeting

Meeting Date: December 10, 2008


Minutes: Minutes from meeting of November, 12, 2008 were approved after several corrections. W Worthington abstained from voting since he had attended the November meeting. Revised minutes will be attached to this document.

Public comment: none

COOP update: J Hodgkinson requested additional, frequent updates on the status of the COOP, particularly as the membership is expanding. In response to his question, M Downey noted that although the membership of the Coop remains at three original entities, 7 towns have voted to join the COOP at Town Meeting. Mr. Hodgkinson stated that the OrleansAlternate Energy Committee has questions concerning the by-laws. M Downey stated that she as a Director of the COOP will receive those questions if e-mailed to her and will have them added to the agenda for the next meeting of the COOP Board of Directors on Dec 22. She also noted that both J Cunningham and B Worth represent the Governing Board at the COOP and as such have attended most COOP meetings.

Introduction- R Mahoney introduced Steve Lempitski who has been appointed as representative of the Town of Mashpee to the Governing Board.

Executive Committee Nominations- R Mahoney turned the floor of the meeting to M Downey to receive nominations for 2009 Executive Committee officers. She noted that the nominations will remain open until the January 14, 2009 meeting of the Board when additional nominations can be made for each office. No candidate statements will be received at this meeting. The Board voted to allow 5 minute statements by candidates in January and also voted to vote by show of hands (12 members) rather than by paper ballot (3 members) It was noted that paper ballots, if so chosen would have had to be signed by the voters.

Nominations for: Chairman: R Mahoney nominated by K Johnson
P Cabana nominated by F Fenlon

Vice Chair: C Striebel nominated B Worth
F Fenlon nominated by P Cabana
Treasurer: K Johnson nominated by J Howard

Secretary: B Worth nominated by J Cunningham

Member at Large: W Doherty nominated by B Worth

2009 Energy Efficiency Plan: K Galligan went over the details of the proposed plan for 2009, showing the expansion we hope to obtain. This is very similar to the information provided to the public at the hearings held in recent weeks, except Mr. Galligan has updated data to reflect changes as needed. The proposed plan calls for a 72% increase in program to approximately $10 Million.

As moved by C Striebel and seconded by R Mahoney and approved by unanimous voted of the Board, Mr. Galligan will draft a letter for Boards of Selectmen and Town Councilors to forward, urging approval by DPU.

Energy Efficiency Advisory Council: Mr. Galligan provided some information on this 11 member body which includes no members from Cape Cod, but does have the Compact sitting in Ex Officio status. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month.

Power Supply Update: Joe Soares gave an update on Power Supply. He spoke about the background on Power Supply, where we are today, and pricing. Currently the Cape Light Compact has 160,000 customers, and there are more customers on competitive supply than basic service. He stated that there are some issues such as: NEMA, SEMA, uplift, and congestion that are making it very difficult to come up with pricing. He stated that NSTAR filed their proposed rates with DPU and the proposed industrial prices for NEMA are 10.673 cents per kWh, and proposed industrial prices for SEMA are 11.963 cents per kWh, which is due to the effects of uplift and congestion in SEMA. He explained the elements that are required to arrive at the Retail Price for Supply to consumers and also explained the next steps, which is addressing the problem.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned prior to the Review/Action of Draft By Law and other business from Board Members, due to emergency health issues related to one attendee.