



## CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

**Minutes of Meeting:** Date: February 11, 2009

**Attendance:** D Anthony, J Burns, P Cabana, M Downey, F Fenlon, D Fitton, K Galligan, P Hefler, J Howard, B Kane, D Keuch, C Kleekamp, C Koblish, S Lempitski, R Mahoney, V Marchant, R Schofield, J Soares, M. Song, L Stranger, C Striebel, J Voelxen, B Worth, A Voll, J Sexton

**Minutes:** Minutes of meeting held on January 14, 2009 were approved as submitted

**Public comment:** None

**Introduction:** R Mahoney introduced Jim Sexton who has been appointed as Alternate Representative from Wellfleet

### Energy Efficiency Programs

1. Kevin Galligan noted that the press release for the Smart Energy Monitoring Pilot Project was released and ran in the Cape Cod Times this morning. The first response was apparent by 530AM and as of the time of this meeting 98 out of 100 applications have been received. Since it is desired to have a mix of customers by usage, and by area, we expect to receive and use additional applications. B Kane has been assigned to follow up on this project and she has had the first installation placed at her home. Customers must have an internet connection and are expected to log on to see how they are doing. We hope to get the program officially running in early spring.
2. DPU Review of CLC's 2009 Energy Efficiency Plan will progress with a Technical Conference in Boston on February 13.
3. K Galligan reported that with the exception of a very small amount, all 2008 energy efficiency funds have been spent
4. M Song reported on energy star home construction. To set the stage, she noted that construction permits for 2008 dipped to 6440 from a total of over 15,000 in 2007. She distributed a listing of all homes which had applied for recognition as Energy Star homes by township. The designation ESTAR 1 means the home is constructed to be 15% more efficient than code and ESTAR 2 would be 35% better than code. Unsealed ducts have been found to be the biggest problem.
5. D Fitton detailed several energy carnivals/fairs held and scheduled in near future
  - a. 600 people came to Bourne Middle School between 8AM and 8PM on Feb 10
  - b. March 9 is the schedule for the Energy Carnival at Eastham
  - c. March 3 will see the Energy Fair at Horace Mann Elementary School in Town of Barnstable time is 9AM to 2PM
  - d. Martha's Vineyard held an outstanding Science Fair last Saturday where 300 people attended

- e. On April 7, Conoco Phillips will conduct a Teachers Workshop in Boston, with all expenses covered for those participating. Information will be sent to each Governing Board Member.
- f. The next meeting of the combined Energy Committees/Cape Light Compact will be held at Yarmouth Town Hall on April 16

#### **Power Supply- Joe Soares**

1. J Soares and L Galligan journeyed to Boston to make a power point presentation to legislators and their aides on pricing electricity, uplift and all other issues that the Compact is aware of. This was well received.
2. On Feb 13, the Compact will make a significant presentation to all town Chief Procurement Officers from towns on Cape. This will be directed to answering questions on electricity pricing, problem with the “vendors” who have been attempting to get various towns to drop Compact power supply. It will be held in Barnstable Town Hall from 8 to 930AM.

#### **Executive Committee Goal Setting**

R Mahoney noted that the 2009 goal setting meeting scheduled for the Executive Committee of the Compact will be held on March 5. All Board Members are urged to present issues they feel should be addressed to Maggie Downey by Feb 27.

**Streetlight Update-** B Worth noted that after receiving a quarterly report, he has not received monthly billing and repair information so that he can track the two documents. R Mahoney asked again for towns to get copies of their recent streetlight bills to see if the charges are correct, He will convene the Streetlight subcommittee to review this issue and get back to the Board at next meeting. That committee consists of B Worth, R Schofield, C Koblisch and R Mahoney.

#### **CVEC update-M Downey**

At the next Board of Directors meeting on Feb 13 at 10AM, Harwich and Brewster applications for membership will be presented. Dennis and Tisbury applications will arrive shortly. Several other towns are close to presenting applications and all others seem to have the issue on Warrant for Spring Town Meeting.

The PV project in conjunction with ConEdison Solutions which has been a long time in negotiations seems to be nearing final solution.

Brewster wind project appears to be the first real installation which the COOP will address as it is farthest along the path. To that end, RUS project financing is progressing thru the application phase.

#### **Mahoney report of Chairman’s Activities**

1. Attended, along with several other board members, the Jan 21 meeting on the Canal Plant which was so poorly reported by the media which seemed to indicate that the plant will be closing momentarily.
2. On January 23, he met with DPU at a Procedures hearing in Boston where he addressed the lack of action on the issues we need addressed soon.

**Next meeting:** is scheduled for March 25, the second of the two Wednesdays we hold open for meeting of the governing board. The move was necessitated by the absence of several staff members on March 11.

Barry R Worth, Secretary

