Meeting of December 9, 2009

**Attendance:** D Anthony, J Burns, P Cabana, W Doherty, M Downey, F Fenlon, D Fitton, K Galligan, P Hefler, J Hodgkinson, K Johnson (by phone for information), B Kane, D Keuch, C Kleekamp, C Koblish, S Lempitski, R Mahoney, V Marchant, R Schofield, M Song, L Stranger, C Striebel, B Worth, W Worthington, A Voll

**Minutes:** Minutes from the Governing Board Meeting of November 18 were approved with one correction. In the first bullet under Chairman’s Report, the dollar contribution by CLC to the CC Technical High School should have been stated as $1,300,000

**Public Comment:** none

**Power Supply Update:** In response to written request by F Fenlon, M Downey, filling in for Joe Soares detailed responses to questions related to the recent news articles which indicated that National Grid has started negotiations with Cape Wind to develop long term power purchase agreement.

- M Downey reminded that Board that at the direction of this body, she contacted Cape Wind in 2007 to open discussions toward purchase of energy from the off-shore project, but that Cape Wind repeatedly has stated that they are not ready to sit down with the Compact.
- NStar position in regard to the DPU docket item opened to deal with this announcement. The Green Communities Act requires utilities to purchase renewable energy to be part of their portfolio and allows them to earn 4% on transactions. NStar has elected not to participate in the docket item
- ConEdison Solutions- Our current supplier has stated no interest in obtaining some of the Cape Wind energy since it will certainly be above market value and they have no way to pass any additional charges on to all customers like the local utilities do.
- Impact on our KWH prices? Not known until we are able to see the contract documents which will be the second docket item to be opened by DPU.

**Nominations for officers on Compact Executive Committee for 2010**

Nomination process was run by M Downey. The Board elected to vote by show of hands when we actually go thru the election process. At this meeting, nominations were opened for all five positions with full understanding that the nominations will be re-opened for additional names at the start of the election process on January 13, 2010.

**Office of Chairman:**

*R Mahoney was nominated by W Doherty, seconded by S Lempitski*
Office of Vice Chairman:
C Striebel was nominated by B Worth, seconded by W Doherty

Office of Treasurer:
K Johnson was nominated by B Worth

Office of Secretary:
B Worth was nominated by B Schofield

Officer at Large
B Schofield was nominated by B Worth

Executive Session- The Board moved into Executive Session upon motion by C Striebel, seconded by W Doherty and unanimous roll-call vote of all governing board members present at the meeting at 226PM. The board returned to Open Session at 308PM

Energy Efficiency Update: K Galligan distributed a one sheet outline of the Energy Efficiency Plan Proceedings Timeline for discussion with the Board. Individual hearings are currently being held, with the hearing for the Compact taking place on December 7. The process will continue throughout the month, with summary Briefs and Replies to be completed by 12/31/09. The schedule calls for DPU order to be issued before Feb 1, 2010. The only issue of importance raised on our program relates to payment for municipal incentive scheduled for 100%, with all other entities paying 80%.

Retirement:- K Galligan noted that John Burns will retire next June.

Chairman’s Report: R Mahoney read portions of a letter received by the Compact from the Commissioner of Education in the Commonwealth noting the excellent work that the Compact has done in supporting students and teachers on the Cape

Treasurer’s Report was postponed until next meeting due to absence of K Johnson.

Cape & Vineyard Electric Coop.- B Worth, substituting for M Downey who to leave the meeting for a session in Dennis, reported that
  • There are now 14 municipalities who have joined the coop with Sandwich being admitted at last meeting of CVEC Board.
  • Yarmouth BOS have elected to join the Coop at their meeting on December 1, 2009.
  • The coop is working with Harwich and Brewster, both of which passed authorizations for BOS to negotiate with CVEC at recent Special Town Meetings. Work is underway to develop RFQ and RFP for contractors who will be hired to construct the 4 turbines.
  • PV installation projects for eight towns, totaling almost 1 MW of PV are underway. It was noted that the completion of this work will carry over into calendar year 2010

Falmouth Participation: Reacting to comments by several Board members, it was noted that there is a need to get someone to be active as Falmouth representative to the CLC. The town is large and a number of significant projects are underway there.

P Cabana: Noted that he had left information with M Downey related to three CD’s called Today’ Energy Realities which are available at the library. Information is available from M Downey or at MGTV.org

B R Worth, Secretary