

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

Minutes of Meeting: December 8,2010

Attendance: D Anthony, P Cabana(by phone), P Cocolis, J Cunningham, W Doherty, M Downey, F Fenlon, D Fitton, K Galligan, P Hefler, J Howard, B Kane, D Keuch, C Koblish, R Mahoney, V Marchant, N Price, R Schofield, J Soares, M Song, C Striebel, A Voll, B Worth, W Worthington, R Zweig, K Hubby, K Laura

Public Attendance: Palmeri, K Raymee, M Holle,

Public Comment: None

Consideration of Minutes: Minutes for meeting of November 17, 2011 were approved with corrections to that R Zweig did attend the meeting and that the motion related to entering Executive Session was made by C Koblish

NEED project update: Mary Spruill, Executive Director of National Energy Education Development provided the Board with an update, noting that the Cape Light Compact started to work with NEED in 2002. The project had grown rapidly and spread over the country providing support for education at the primary school level. Among other things, she highlighted the Solarize Our Schools program which worked so well on Cape Cod and noted the amount of effort provided by C Striebel over the years. Ms. Striebel accepted an award from the state on behalf of the Compact. NEED can now be found on Twitter and Facebook as well as on YouTube. The future of the effort will embrace additional technology, Smartboards, etc. Highlights of the program each year are the awards which Cape Children have received in Boston and Washington DC.

Open Nominations for Executive Committee: M Downey opened nominations for all Executive Officers positions, noting that nominations would remain open until our January meeting where additional names can be placed in nomination. A poll of the members determined that everyone present agreed that voting would be by show of hands, rather than paper ballot.

Office of Chairman:
W Doherty nominated by R Schofield

Office of Vice Chairman:

D Anthony nominated by W Doherty

Office of Treasurer
K Johnson, nominated by J Cunningham

Office of Secretary:

B Worth, nominated by W Doherty

Member at Large:
R Schofield nominated by B Worth
F Fenlon nominated by R Zweig

Introduction: R Mahoney introduced Kathy Hubby, Alternate Member from Wellfleet

Cape Light Compact Communications & Marketing- 2010 Review

A Voll presented a comprehensive review of the efforts that have been made to increase our public image, noting the number of public appearances made by staff and governing board members, her efforts to provide every board member with electronic notification of all newspaper and other media appearances.

Moving forward Ms Voll noted the need increase our outreach and to have all board members become part of this effort, appearing on local TV, Cape radio stations, both with A Voll or alone. She need to know what events are coming up during the year where the Compact can participate and increase our public presence.

Power Supply: J Soares noted the rates for the Compact for the next six months as follows:

Residential 7.71 Cents/KWH
Small Comm 8.02 Cents/KHW
Industrial 7.94 Cents/KWH

In response to a question, Mr Soares noted that NStar rate for the period will start at 7.718 but most likely will be increased due to filings with DPU.

He noted that the last time that rates this low were available was in December 2005 Compact rate is 2.5% lower than current rates and 12.2% lower than a year ago

Long Term rates also available in January will be 8.6 cents for 12 months or 8.7 for 24 month commitment.

Municipal- RFP for municipal program will be due on Dec 14 and M Downey noted that the town must be present or forward a proxy for Compact action on their behalf by 5PMon the 14th. She also noted that she has not yet received proxies as requested and urged board members to assist in getting their towns on board.

Barry R Worth, Secretary

Following are minutes recorded in absence of the secretary:

At 4:40 Barry Worth, Secretary left the meeting. The remaining meeting minutes were recorded by Karen Loura, Administrative Assistant, Cape Light Compact as follows:

ENERGY EFFICIENCY COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Briana Kane, Residential Program Coordinator, Cape Light Compact provided an Update on the Community Outreach Program for Energy Efficiency.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY & WASTEWATER

The Board then discussed the matter of energy usage @ wastewater treatment facilities as raised by R. Zweig, Falmouth. R. Zweig reported that studies have shown that 30-40% of systems' costs are for energy. He asked if the Cape Light Compact could conduct a study on these systems to include the many available options to assist and guide town's pursuing new wastewater treatment facilities and which the CLC could be interested in promoting. He described a biogas system which generates electricity and where solids are used to produce fertilizer. Discussion followed concerning the level of interest in the Town of Falmouth to obtain a 0% interest loan. R. Zweig said there is strong interest and a lot of debate in Falmouth.

- B. Doherty said there are ongoing evaluation of various systems and that information is available.
- K. Galligan, Energy Efficiency Program Manager, Cape Light Compact said he does not see this as eligible for Energy Efficiency Funding. Cape Light Compact reviews any or all systems it can identify. He said systems could qualify for funding if Town's seek retrofit of existing facilities. CLC is currently working with the Town of Chatham on their system. He offered to be a resource for technical guidance.

Discussion concerning Chatham's requirement for the installation of private pump grinders and C. Koblish said Chatham could share that information.

- D. Anthony said Barnstable looked at taking easements and installing the systems which would then be owned by the Town; however, the expense to provide power would belong to the property owner. It is very complicated.
- F. Fenlon asked if information concerning these systems and this discussion could be documented for study by Board Members so that they can then speak with their Selectmen.

Discussion followed.

- J. Cunningham said Towns need to examine each available system and compare them. Technical information and specifications including energy needs can be provided to them by their bidders.
- K. Galligan referenced George Huefelder, Barnstable County Public Health Manager as an available resource on all types of treatment systems. K. Galligan offered to invite him if the members would like, to speak at a Board Meeting. He said CLC EE funding could not be used.
- M. Downey said when the Wastewater Collaborative gets a plan for a system, they should encourage the issue of energy efficiency; and Cape Light Compact is happy to participate by providing review and input as to energy efficiency.

By agreement, M. Downey will draft a letter to the Wastewater Collaborative outlining the extent to which CLC can support and participate in their efforts.

TREASURER'S REPORT

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

B. Mahoney, Chairman reported that C. Koblish, Chatham Rep. is resigning and currently attending his last meeting. He thanked him for his service and introduced Peter Cocolis to the Board who will fill the vacancy created.

OTHER BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

At the request of F. Fenlon, Eastham Rep., K. Galligan provided an update on the new Residential Program: SCORE. CLC already has over 100 volunteers who have been placed on a selection list. The program provides for 200 participants. Details and training are being worked on which will be complete in mid January.

- J. Cunningham submitted an article from <u>Forbe's Magazine</u> to M. Downey which states that the energy crisis is over and which he believed contained some interesting thoughts. M. Downey will review.
- J. Cunningham also said CLC has a great staff and also has had great men in Bob Jones and Bill Mahoney as Chairmen. He said he has appreciated the opportunity to work with them.
- M. Downey sought clarification from the Board as to the Board's preference to meet monthly or bimonthly. It was agreed to place the matter onto the agenda for the next meeting. B. Doherty asked if there are opinions that they be emailed to Board Members beforehand.

By agreement, the Board adjourned at 4:24 pm.

The Board will re-convene on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 @ 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen E. Loura

Administrative Assistant