

**CAPE LIGHT COMPACT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**Date:** May 11, 2005

**Location:** Rooms11/12, Superior Courthouse

**Attendance:** R. Bigelow, P. Cabana, L. Cole, W. Doherty, F. Fenlon, J. Hodgkinson, J. Hohl, J. Howard, K Johnson, R. Jones, O. Kahn, D. Keuch, C. Knowles, A. Loughnane, D. O'Brien, R. Schofield, C. Striebel, A. Wallenstein; M. Downey, D. Fitton, K. Galligan, J. Soares, M. Song.

C. Striebel opened the meeting at 2:05, noting that R. Mahoney was traveling to SC to visit new grandson, thanking members for attending the press conference re Cape Light Compact Green.

The Minutes of the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved, subject to a spelling correction: moved by J. Howard and seconded by R. Bigelow.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Energy Efficiency Programs:**

- D. Fitton circulated a DVD from Truro Central School re CFL light bulbs --- a submission to a *National Geographic* competition.
- F. Fenlon volunteered to judge a school contest on June 6 in Eastham, where there will be a press conference on June 7 about a group of elementary school students and their parents going to DC in connection with the NEEDS awards.

(At this time, F. Fenlon introduced Olga Kahn, the new representative from Wellfleet, and C. Striebel introduced Chris Knowles from Dukes County.)

- K. Galligan reviewed the Program Progress Summary, noting that it is running ahead of budget in most categories. He hopes to have quarterly reports to use for financial control in future.
- K. Galligan distributed a draft motion that would change some of the incentives in the program to help save money, noting that Western Mass Electric was making similar changes in its program. K. Johnson moved and J. Howard seconded implementation of the proposed changes. Following discussion of why gas, oil and propane were included in the EEP, it was voted, with one nay and one abstention.
- K. Galligan reported that John Burns was in hospital, but that he would meet with RISE re C&I programs in John's place. In response to question from F. Fenlon, Kevin stated that spending is recorded when installation occurs.

- M. Song reported on the MV Energy Fair, held in very unfair weather. 131 dehumidifiers and A/Cs were turned in, compared to 179 last year, but this year's fair cost \$7K to run, versus \$25K last year.
- C. Knowles relayed suggestion from activist at fair that CLC publicize those participants in the energy audit who make the recommended fixes. W. Doherty noted the possibility of a privacy problem with that.

### **Cape Light Compact Green:**

- J. Soares reviewed the press conference and reported there are 108 participants enrolled, of whom 94 are for 100% green.
- R. Jones moved to publicly offer Boards of Selectmen the opportunity to join. It was decided to indefinitely postpone action on the motion.
- M. Downey reviewed the MTC bonus program, stating that perhaps the thing to do was offer Boards of Selectmen an opportunity in the fall to green up particular facilities, with incentives. She also noted the limited REC situation and the target of getting 2000 participants (1% of the customer base) in the next 12 months. If that goal is exceeded, more RECS will have to be bought.
- K. Johnson noted the projected state-level REC picture until 2008.
- J. Soares answered a question about tax savings: The typical 500Kwh per month household could claim 75% of the extra expense as an itemized deduction.
- J. Soares reported that MTC agreed to meet again next week to work out the details of their Marketing Assistance.

(At this point, the new Provincetown representative, Jo Lynn Hohl was introduced.)

C. Striebel presented the Executive Committee report prepared by R. Mahoney:

- 04/14 R. Mahoney and K. Galligan met with W. Northcross at the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce.
- 04/19 R. Mahoney, M. Downey and K. Galligan met with P. Alfonso at the DTE re NSTAR's policy on budget billing for competitive energy suppliers. NSTAR is charging for it and it affects 2300-2500 customers who may be better off dropping budget billing.
- 04/25 R. Mahoney and M. Downey met with officials in Plymouth to discuss organizational matters.
- 05/09 The Energy Efficiency Committee met and elected K. Johnson chairman.

### **Other Business:**

- K. Galligan noted approaching deadline for NSTAR negotiations with union.
- D. Keuch noted receipt of confusing NSTAR two-part bill with changes from prior version. M. Downey will contact counsel re unauthorized change and impediment to competition.

- R. Bigelow reported conversation at Raab Roundtable with someone from Plymouth County about their joining the Compact.
- M. Downey reported that Chris Freid asked whether CLC name could be on his brochure even if Compact were not sponsoring financially. W. Doherty moved and R. Jones seconded that CLC not “sponsor” the brochure in any manner. Voted.

Members voted to adjourn at 3:45.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Cole  
Secretary Pro Tem