

Wellfleet Energy and Climate Action Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of July 6, 2021
Remote Participation
7:00 p.m.

Present: Richard Elkin, Charles Cole, Lilli-Ann Green, Carol Magenau, Suzanne Ryan, Gorham Brigham and David Mead Fox

Chair Elkin called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

This Zoom meeting was recorded and posted on the Town website.

BUSINESS

Review of rules for remote participation under open meeting law (OML): Elkin gave an introduction to Open Meeting Law and Zoom meeting remote participation. He stated a role call vote must be taken.

Approval of minutes: Magenau had emailed Green with minor revision which was made. Cole moved to approve amended minutes. Mead Fox seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion and review of grant proposal status: Ryan updated the committee. Cole will speak with his daughter Sky to ask if she can facilitate two meetings if the low lying roads grant is approved. The grant guidelines call for public outreach in identifying which roads will be chosen. Elkin asked about timeline. Ryan will contact the Cape Cod Commission (CCC) to ask this question. Magenau and Ryan met with Norton, Slick and Song regarding prioritizing for REPA grants they are working on. There is a priority on net zero funding community wide planning. Elkin stated that the Energize program addresses net zero concerns. Ryan is talking with the CCC and will discuss the Energize program with Michelle White. Elkin expressed an interest to meet with the CCC along with Magenau and Ryan. Slick and the Town Administrator are reviewing the Selectboard policy on grants.

Report on joint meeting with other towns' energy committees: A proposed date for the next meeting is July 14th. Elkin will post the notice with the town because more than a quorum of this committee tends to attend the meetings. The Cape Light Compact (CLC) is developing a memorandum of understanding for working with the various town committees on the next Energize program. Elkin would like to move forward this year with a program on the Outer Cape. Elkin is putting together a presentation with 4 slides regarding measures he would like to see taken in 2021 for the committee's review. He showed a draft of the slides. Green asked Elkin to email these slides to all committee members so we can look at them more carefully. A discussion was held regarding priorities. Brigham suggested we provide information and guidance to the public as to the what the highest priorities are. Also information for any final assistance would be especially helpful. Elkin referred to the CCC Climate Action Plan (CAP) and the priorities set. The natural life of appliances pops to the top of the list. Green suggested the information is posted on our committee website with a link to the CCC CAP as well as CLC information. Elkin will do so.

Old Business: Green updated the committee regarding the proposed EV car show. Elkin spoke about the future projected costs of EV vehicles. There was a discussion regarding when people may be willing