

## **CLEAN ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING NOTES**

July 24, 2012

**Members present:** Candace Wheeler, Sam Cleaves, Linda Brayton **Staff:** John Rockwell

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. Without a quorum, the meeting content consisted of updates only, and no votes were taken. Approval of the June meeting notes was deferred.

- 1) **Green Communities Contract Extension:** John Rockwell reported that the revised contract agreement allowing for an eighteen month extension has now been signed by Mayor Kirk.
- 2) **ESCO/Owner's Agent:** There was some earlier confusion as to whether or not Green Communities money can be used to pay for an Owners Agent. However, it is now clear that this use of funds is acceptable and other communities are already doing this. Ameresco is the ESCO that was chosen through MAPC's selection process. John Rockwell is getting a proposal for the Owner's Agent from Steve Weisman of Peregrine (via DOER/performance contract mechanism.) The CEC is appreciative of the chance to take advantage of MAPC's ground work. The balance of the Green Communities grant will be used for energy efficiencies, the possible buy down of the ESCO contract (if this is deemed prudent after the comprehensive audit) and for administrative costs.
- 3) **Streetlight acquisition/LED lamp conversion:** John Rockwell is getting a template for a document for the acquisition of streetlights from another community and adapting it to our situation. Suzanne Egan will then review it. Once the transfer of ownership is complete, the CEC will explore the use of LED lights, especially in relation to our current ordinance for full cut-offs.
- 4) **Gloucester Engineering project:** John Rockwell reported that John Moskal contacted Rick Kleiman and learned that the Gloucester Engineering project is on track for completion by the 12/31/12 deadline.
- 5) **New items, review action items:** Pika, a company making small scale residential and commercial wind turbines who recently approached John R., is welcome to present briefly during the Public Comment section of a CEC meeting, and the Commission will decide whether or not to pursue further discussion at a later meeting, as per CEC policy.

John R. asked that CEC meetings through December be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month rather than the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays due to a scheduling conflict. Members present had no objection to this change, and Candace stated that she will contact the other members by email about this. There will not be a meeting in August. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.