

MINUTES OF THE CLEAN ENERGY COMMISSION
February 15, 2023, 5PM
Approved at meeting of March 2023

This meeting was conducted remotely through Zoom. All votes were taken by roll call.

A full recording of this meeting is available at: <https://gloucester-ma.gov/1277/February-2023-Past-Meetings>

Members Present: Linda Brayton, Debra Darby, John Moskal, Bob Myers, Linda Stout-Saunders, Candace Wheeler

Absent: Sam Ziergiebel

Staff: Gemma Wilkens of Community Development

Guest: Councilor at Large Jeff Worthley

Public: No Comments

Note: time stamp is the approximate location discussed within the recorded minutes.

.09 **Member Reports:** Ms. Brayton attended a Metropolitan Area Planning Council stretch code presentation for which she will forward the link to CEC members. Ms. Brayton and some other CEC members also listened to a Massachusetts Municipal Association webinar concerning community meeting procedures. Mr. Myers made a presentation to the Salem Alliance for the Environment (SAFE) on how fisheries and off shore wind developers off the New England coast can work together. He is now working on a Hydrogen as a clean energy source presentation which should be completed within the next month. Both presentations will be made available to those interested.

11.0 **Meeting Minutes:** Minutes of the CEC meetings for June 29, August 24, October 10 and November 16, 2022, were approved with some minor changes.

14.0 **Staff Reports: Mass Save Community Partnership:** Ms. Wilkens presented and discussed the preparations for this summer's community outreach activities, and she has asked how CEC members can participate in these activities. A calendar of events will be provided, and CEC members will individually determine their availability. As the first step, Ms. Wilkens will set up a form of training at a future CEC meeting.

21.10 **Gloucester Community Electricity Aggregation (CEA) Marketing:** Yard signs are available to distribute throughout the community. Mr. Myers will assist with distribution of the signs after it is determined who should be given a sign and for how long. Members discussed residents with solar arrays but not enrolled in 100% Local Green Electricity. Ms. Wilkens is working with National Grid to determine how many accounts they have in Gloucester and how many of those are enrolled in CEA.

39.0 **Job Opportunities:** A High School and College summer intern will be hired to assist with community outreach. An Energy Coach will be hired to coach residents through participation in the Mass

Save Community Partnership and other programs geared towards reducing energy costs and emissions. This is a part time position that has been grant funded for one year (December 31, 2023) through the Mass Save Community First Partnership.

A new Administrative Assistant for the Community Development Department was hired January 30, 2023, Erin Nicolosi.

Ms. Wheeler asked who CEC Correspondence should be addressed to. Ms. Wilkens stated that as a matter of practicality correspondence should be sent to herself and Ms. Nicolosi.

Agenda Items:

Councilor at Large Jeff Worthley presentation of proposed Ordinance. Ms. Wheeler and Ms. Wilkens attempted to reach Mr. Worthley who was scheduled to attend this CEC meeting. He did not respond.

Next Meeting: March 22, 2023

Meeting Adjourned: 5:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Stout-Saunders