



WESTERN COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT

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Board of Directors Meeting

July 22, 2015, 7:00 P.M. meeting took place at the above address

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Humble

Richard Holt

Jonathan Farnum

Steve Bousquet

Robert Hevey

WCS Mays II

Chief Quattrini

Cheryl Wilcox

Mrs. Frances Mays

Karen Carlson

Glen Underwood

Frank Eddleston

Sandy Farnum

Mark Depasquale

1. Call to Order and Attendance - the meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.
2. Emergency evacuation procedure announcement – the Chief reviewed the emergency evacuation procedure.
3. Confirmation of required meeting posting and quorum – The Chairman confirmed that there was a quorum present and the meeting was posted in all required locations.
4. WCFD's Board of Directors and District Officials meet with Mark Depasquale of Wind Energy Development (WED) to discuss construction schedules and provisions for emergency response plans, needs, preparedness and associated cost to possible emergency incidents at WED's wind turbine sites in Western Coventry and the on-going relationship between WED and/or future owners of wind turbines in Western Coventry with WCFD

The Chairman states to Mr. Depasquale that very little commercial property is in our district and we just want to be prepared to respond if called upon in an emergency.

Mr. Depasquale says that turbines are tax exempt. He is working on host agreement with the Town Council. After finalization he will come back to the fire district to work on a proposal for fire tax. He also says that at no time did we say we are not giving you any money. He will look at what you would do for a tangible tax. He says he wants to help bring revenue to

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District Officers

WCS Mays III – Moderator, Joan Smith – Tax Collector, Glenn Underwood – Treasurer, Cheryl Wilcox – Clerk

Chief Steven Quattrini

2015 Regularly Scheduled Meeting Schedule 15 Jan, 19 Feb, 19 Mar, 16 Apr, 21 May, 18 Jun, 16 Jul, 20 Aug, 17

Sep, 15 Oct, 19 Nov, 17 Dec.

the area. He adds that at the end of day you will find out that your services are just about zero.

Delivery date of seven turbines will be in December or January and National grid will have power ready at that time. It will take about five days to erect the turbine and five more days of testing. The turbines are delivered 90% complete construction wise.

People maintaining the turbines will be living in West Greenwich. Five people from Germany will be living in the area for 2 years.

This circuit can handle six more turbines between here and Johnson's pond.

The grid connection will go up the right side of Route 117 to the Johnsons pond bridge.

When asked about training for those who will respond and what equip might be needed, Mr. Depasquale says that all of his men are trained every six months. He says that they self respond. WCFD's response will be a ground rescue. Our Members will not be responsible for off the ground rescues. He will train as many people as we want, closer to the time when the turbines are up, probably in late fall. WED's personnel do 40 hour training. Each turbine has harnesses included in it along with fire suppression/dry chemical extinguishers. WED will provide the district with harness gear but he doesn't expect our members to get anywhere off the ground.

5. New Business – n/a
6. Open Forum – n/a
7. Schedule next BOD meeting – the next BOD meeting is on August 20th.
8. Adjournment – a motion is made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. All voted aye, motion carried.