

**Electric Utilities Task Group**  
**Monday, July 15, 2013**  
**Town Hall, Old Town Road**  
**12:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Barbara MacMullan, Everett Shorey, Bill Penn, John Warfel. Also present were Dr. Peter Baute, Bryan Wilson, Cliff McGinnes, Sr., Dr. Albert Casazza, Stephanie Turaj from the Block Island Times and Clerk Bonny Ryan to take the minutes.

Meeting was called to order by Ms. MacMullan at 12:30 p.m.

**Public Input**

Dr. Baute presented his thoughts on a municipal solar power purchase agreement. (See attached).

**Approve minutes of June 21, 2013**

Minutes were approved as written in a motion by Bill Penn and seconded by Everett Shorey. Ayes 4(MacMullan, Shorey, Penn, Warfel) Nays 0

**Deepwater Update**

Mr. Wilson reported on the following:

- Fiber Optics – he said that the discussion was on hold for more information from the IT person.
- Decommissioning – he reported that no date had been set yet for CRMC hearings on Block Island
- There will be an auction of the offshore property lease for the larger wind farm on July 19<sup>th</sup>
- FAA has decided that the radar here needs to be maintained.
- Narragansett landfall was still in discussion.

**Deepwater Decommissioning Review**

Mr. Penn expressed his dissatisfaction with the Stanley White report that stated that funding was not addressed. Barbara MacMullan will write a memo to the Town Council clarifying this issue. The review is attached.

**Discuss BIPCO LNG proposal**

Barbara MacMullan had sent a list of questions to Clear Energy. They responded to Mr. McGinnes, Sr. Their responses are attached. They were discussed.

**Discuss and act on Net Metering Policy**

It was noted that a recommendation had already been sent to the Town Council to have BIPco adopt the State's net metering policy. (April 22, 2013) This item needs to be on a Council Agenda.

**Discussion and act on Creation of Electric Utility Co-op**

This item needs Council authorization. It was a recommendation to the Council last year. The Town Council would like to meet with the EUTG at their August work session what has not been scheduled yet. The EUTG will ask to have this item put on that agenda.

Next meeting: August work session of Town Council is tentatively scheduled for August 7, 2013.

At 1:45 p.m. a motion was made by Everett Shorey and seconded by John Warfel to adjourn and voted unanimously.

Minutes accepted: 8/14/2013

Bonny Ryan