

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
June 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
MET Tower, Ninigret Park, Park Lane, Charlestown
Agenda

The Charlestown Town Council will hold public workshop on June 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the MET Tower at Ninigret Park, Park Lane, Charlestown. The Agenda is as follows:

1. Call to Order by the Town Council President
2. Introduction
 - a. Welcome and introduction of presenters
 - b. Current status of the Wind Generation Ordinance:
 1. "The appropriate size of wind generators for Charlestown is 200 feet tall, 100 Kw maximum generation, and a 3:1 set back." (Per the Town Council/ Planning Commission workshop of 5/5/11)
 2. The MET Tower will collect data for a year, which will be March 2012. The data will be correlated with Block Island, Jamestown, and Narragansett's data
 3. The Town may send out an RFP for a partner to oversee the technical aspects of any wind generator
 4. Once the data collection is completed, it will be published to the residents on the Town's website, as will all the materials presented June 23, 2011
 5. The voters will look at the data, the Town's Wind Generation Ordinance, a complete business plan with tax consequences, a Power Purchase Agreement, State grants, and the final decision will be made by the voters after all the details are published and a Public Hearing will be held.
3. MET Tower Data Collection (Chris Kearns of Alteris Renewables, Inc.)
 - a. Installation process
 - b. Devices on MET Tower
 - c. Data Collection – Logger Kit
 - d. Data Collection for one year
4. Current Status of Rhode Island Legislation (Jeff Broadhead, Executive Director, Washington County Regional Planning Commission)
 - a. Net Metering definition
 - b. Distributed Generation Contract definition
 - c. Riggs Case status
 - d. Rhode Island legislative status
 - e. Town / Chariho power consumption and dollar costs
5. Next Steps - More education opportunities
 - a. Continue to collect and publish data on Town's Website
 - b. RFP for developer partners
 - c. Outreach to citizens
 - d. Grants from RI and Federal Government
6. Drive over to see approximate location of potential wind generator sites
7. Adjournment

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