

Minutes
Vineyard Power Board Meeting
August 22, 2017

Present: Mike Jacobs, Janet Orosz,
Paul Pimentel, Bill Lake, Ron Dagostino,
Dan Seidman
Calling in: Ann Berwick, Julia Bovey, Ted Bayne
Non-Board: Richard, Erik, Amy, Sara, Rob

1. Minutes for the July meeting will be dealt with at September meeting.
2. Mike circulated the April Draft of the Storage Proposal. An energetic discussion was held on this subject. A Proposal needs to be complete by year end. There are several questions: (1) how to structure a storage option that does not make us less competitive in our PPA's; (2) what relationship Vineyard Wind (VW) should have with Eversource and what interest will they want in the storage system given it is connected to their wires and may regulate their power delivery; (3) what are the opinions of the full management team at VW (not just Erich); (4) can the storage system "make money" and in part pay for itself. It was a given that a storage system can play a role in a microgrid (emergency power) for users such as the MV Hospital or the High School as well as be a resource for load balancing the larger grid during normal times. VP has been charged by VW to come up with a proposal.
3. Richard discussed some upcoming business issues: need for board members for Island Wind Inc. LLC; the question of a change in VP Coop's IRS 501(c)12 status; date of Annual Meeting probably in October or November.
4. Richard detailed some of the known plans about the September 24th 100% RE public meeting: speakers, subjects, panels, breakout sessions, etc. Interns and Env Mass are helping with outreach and planning. It is definitely taking shape. It was mentioned that the number of US cities and states that have 100% RE goals keeps rising.

Meeting adjourned at 12:06pm.

Next board meeting will be September 19th at 10:30 am.

Future meeting dates: Oct 24, (skip Nov), Dec 5.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Bayne