

Approved 8/23/17
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, June 28, 2017 4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Present: Selectmen Skipper Manter, Cynthia Mitchell, Kent Healy, Jennifer Rand

Also Present: Doug Ruskin, Richard Andre, Richard Saltzberg

Minutes: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the minutes of 5/17/17 & 6/14/17. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Vineyard Power Off-Shore Wind Project Update: Richard Andre gave the Board an update on the wind project. (presentation attached at the end of the minutes). He said the process began in 2009, there is a task Force that has an appointee from each island town, he noted that West Tisbury had an open seat. Kent said he would be interested. He noted the project is 14 miles off-shore, mostly as a result of the work of the committee. He said there were three lease holders awarded project, Vineyard Powers partnership with one of the companies provided a community benefit in the form of jobs created in the region and possibly power available to sale to residents. This project will replace power from coal plants and nuclear plants. There are two other sections still waiting to go to auction, ultimately there will be five lease holders. There will be cable run from the project to Barnstable. The Cape Cod Commission will have oversight over this aspect of the project.

C. Mitchell motioned to appoint Kent Healy to the Federal Task Force for Off-Shore Wind. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Event Permit – Artists in Art: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the event at the Grange on 7/22/17. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

School Formula Study Task Force: Jen said she had spoken with Tim Carroll in Chilmark and he indicated they did not want to meet if the conversation was about closing the Chilmark School because that was simply not an option. The Board said that is not their intent, and asked Jen to try and set up a meeting of the Committee to restart dialog.