Aquinnah Climate and Energy Committee

Meeting Notes

January 11, 2022, 10 am

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Present: Meghan Gombos, Bill Lake

From Vineyard Power: Richard Andre, Erik Peckar, Luke Lefeber

1. **Landfill Solar Array.** The solar array at the capped landfill is approaching its tenth anniversary. Vineyard Power representatives joined us to discuss the opportunities this presents to the Town under the governing agreements. We will discuss the subject with the Town’s Finance Committee.
2. **Proposed Bylaw Revisions.** We discussed the two revisions we have proposed to the Town bylaws to promote energy transformation in the warrant for the May 10 Town Meeting. The draft measures are under review by Town counsel. West Tisbbury may consider similar measures.
3. **Pool Heating.** We briefly discussed the possibility of requiring use of renewable energy to heat swimming pools, as Chilmark does.
4. **Energy Questionnaire.**Meghan presented the Google Forms analysis of the responses to our Energy Questionnaire. We will share the results with other towns for comparison.
5. **RAP Projects.**  Vineyard Power invites towns to submit proposed projects for inclusion in its Resilience and Affordability Program. We discussed possibly proposing a resilient public well at the Town buildings or solar plus battery storage at the Cliffs. The former seems more promising.

Adjourned 11:00 am

Submitted by Bill Lake