



**Aquinnah Energy DCPC (under consideration) Committee
Monday, December 10, 2007, 5:30 P.M., MVC Offices**

Present:

Committee Members: Paul Strauss, Richard Toole, Christina Brown, Kathy Newman, Susan Shea, Peter Cabana and Linda Sibley (partial attendance)

Other MV Commissioners: Doug Sederholm, Chair, John Breckenridge and Chris Murphy

MVC staff: Jo-Ann Taylor, Mark London, and Bill Veno

Others: Kate Warner, Camille Rose, Carlos Montoya

The Committee named Richard Toole Chair and he proceeded to chair the meeting, inviting full participation and noting that although the hearing was closed, the legislative nature of the upcoming decision invites rather than excludes further discussion with the public.

Mark London outlined the options: to not designate, to designate in part (focusing on wind), to designate with options (for further development of renewable energy section), or to designate as requested.

There was considerable discussion of whether or not the Town can or even must deny wind facilities under the existing regulations. It was determined that the Town doesn't appear to have the option of granting permits for wind facilities under the existing regulations.

There was discussion of the need to proceed, in light of the determination that the moratorium may be superfluous, and considering the appearances that could be generated by voting not to designate.

Susan Shea made a motion, seconded by Paul Strauss, to recommend to the full Commission designation as presented. The Committee voted unanimously in favor. There was agreement to continue to work on the draft goals and guidelines (staff and by e-mail) and to meet again if necessary prior to the vote.

Notes prepared by Jo-Ann Taylor