Wind Power Advisory Committee Meeting Bristol Town Hall March 30, 2016

Committee members present: Andrea Cox, Rob Davidson, Mike Dawson, Steve Hope, Sheila McLain,

Jessica Yates

Absent: John Stolecki

Also present: Chuck Hanson, Maia Zewert

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm.

Minutes. On a motion made by Davidson and seconded by Cox, the minutes from January 27 were approved unanimously.

Committee Housekeeping.

For the position of vice chair, Davidson nominated Dawson, Yates seconded, all in favor. For the position of committee secretary, Cox nominated Mclain, Davidson seconded, all in favor.

Communications. Reviewed correspondence from Attorney Villeneuve regarding community benefits. She recommends 1) further investigation into the project, 2) meeting with UMaine/MAV project heads and 3) contacting DEP project managers. It was strongly suggested to get in on the process now before it really starts rolling. On a motion made by Cox and seconded by McLain, all agreed to task Davidson with contacting DEP.

Additional information from Villeneuve's office concerning potential "Community Benefits" was reviewed. It was discussed that ordinances and/or a comprehensive plan would be helpful in attaining community benefits.

WPAC Positional Letter.

Cox shared Stolecki's review of the letter. He thought the content was appropriate. He recommended that the number of voters at the 10/01/14 STM be added. (227) General discussion on the content and structure of letter. On a motion made by Davidson and seconded by Dawson, all agreed to have Cox rework the structuring of the letter and submit it to counsel for review.

Old Business. Cox received contact information from Senator's King office.

Meeting adjourned 6:48pm The next meeting TBD

Agenda items: finalize positional letter, set up meeting with Ward from UMaine.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Bizarro Staff Liaison