

Sumner Industrial Wind Ordinance Committee(IWOC) Meeting minutes

July 14, 2011

1 **IWOC Members:** Daniel Perron (Chair), James Gammon (secretary), Edwin Hinshaw, Jeffrey Pfeiffer,
2 John Allen, Lawrence O'Rourke, James Durfee, Lana Pratt, Thomas Obear, Jessica Doe, Stephen Perry,
3 Kathy Emery, and Diane Todd.

4 The IWOC meeting commenced at 7 pm at the Sumner Town Office.

5 **Attending:**

6 Committee Members: Dan Perron, Ed Hinshaw, James Gammon, Diane Todd, Kathy Emery, Jeff Pfeiffer,
7 Jessica Doe, Tom Obear, Lana Pratt, John Allen, Larry O'Rourke, and Steve Perry.

8 SelectBoard Members: Maryann Haxton

9 Public: Dwight and Jackie Dwinal, Ingrid Eriksson, Sheri Fowler, and Ted Duwicky

10 **Reading of previous meetings minutes.**

11 Motion to accept the minutes as read, call to vote carries unanimously. (11 votes)

12 Motioned and seconded to recognize suggestions from the suggestion box. A suggestion was made in
13 two parts. The first part is to form a trip to an operating wind facility. The second part is to expand the
14 ordinance. James Gammon and Dan Perron will process the suggestions by putting them in a motion
15 format. Call to vote, carries unanimously.

16 Motioned and seconded to allow Sheri Fowler to speak. A courtesy call to the president of the Sumner
17 Historical society regarding the conflict of the IWOC and Sumner Historical Society meeting, should be
18 made to Steve.

19 **Informational Subcommittee report.**

20 The Select board accepted the recommendation of having a representative of Clear Sky meet with the
21 town on August 18th, 2011.

22 **Communication Subcommittee report.**

23 Sumneriwoc@gmail.com was established as the e-mail for the Facebook account.

24 Directions on how to use facebook will be sent to the town office for people interested in participating
25 in the group account.

26 **Health subcommittee report.**

27 Meeting at 6:30 pm every Monday at the West Sumner Grange.

28 A written testimony was given by Dr. Eriksson. Clay Snider gave a verbal testimony.

29 Plan to gather documents from Clear Sky, the internet, and any interested people.

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30 Jim Durfee has submitted a resignation to the IWOC committee due to other obligations.

31 Motioned and seconded to accept the resignation and give appreciation for Jim's time and efforts in
32 getting the IWOC started. Call to vote, carries unanimously.

33 **Safety Subcommittee Report**

34 Safety is intertwined with several other aspects of the wind ordinance.

35 Ed has requested a committee member to replace Jim on the Safety subcommittee.

36 Kathy emery has volunteered to join the Safety subcommittee.

37 **Economics Subcommittee Report.**

38 Minutes read. Steve Perry elected chairperson.

39 Meetings will be held every other Wednesday starting on 7-13-11

40 Minutes accepted as read.

41 **Legal Subcommittee Report**

42 Motioned and seconded to accept the recommendation by the legal committee to the IWOC committee
43 to draft a code of ethics for the IWOC committee, without a personal declaration. Call to vote, carries
44 unanimously.

45 Motioned and seconded to allow Maryann to speak. Call to vote, carries unanimously. Offered a
46 written code of ethics for the IWOC's consideration.

47 Motioned and seconded to allow Jackie Dwinal to speak. Call to vote, carries unanimously. Wanted
48 clarification on the code of ethics.

49 **Environmental subcommittee report.**

50 Jessica Doe (chair)

51 Minutes read.

52 Ed requested the environmental subcommittee minutes.

53 Recommendation that if a subcommittee finds an issue that may cross over to another subcommittee
54 that they communicate amongst one another.

55 **Informational subcommittee**

56 Dan attended the select board meeting on 7-13-11 as chair of the IWOC and discussed the relationship
57 of the IWOC and the select board in the formation of informational meetings.

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- 58 Ed stated that any meeting sponsored by this committee must be in collaboration with the select board.
- 59 The select board had an issue with the emergency meeting at the West Sumner Grange on 7-10-11
60 being attributed to the IWOC.
- 61 Jeff stated that any group of 3 or more members of the IWOC gathering together constitutes a meeting
62 of the IWOC, and the IWOC has a right to establish public meetings.
- 63 Lana stated that the emergency meeting was part of information gathering.
- 64 Jess and Steve were wondering at what point does committee members gathering constitute a meeting.
- 65 Maryann suggested that the point it becomes a meeting is if the people gathered discuss committee
66 topics.
- 67 Jackie Dwinal suggested that an opposing view is presented at the August 18th presentation by Clear Sky.
- 68 The IWOC should present itself to the public gathered at the informational meeting on Aug 18th. The
69 informational meeting subcommittee should work with the select board. Invite the Friends of Maine
70 Mountains
- 71 Ed recommends that the meeting on August 18th should include a presentation by the IWOC, Clear Sky
72 and a group, such as, Friends of Maine Mountains.
- 73 Motioned and seconded to allow Ingrid Ericson to speak, call to vote carries unanimously. Ingrid
74 recommends the three tiered approach to the informational meeting, recommended by Ed. Offered to
75 find a representative for the anti-wind side of the issue.
- 76 Motioned and seconded that the IWOC endorse the three party (IWOC, Clear Sky and an anti-wind
77 presenter) approach to the August 18th public meeting and that the informational meeting
78 subcommittee works with external parties in the selection of an opposing view to be presented with
79 Clear Sky. Call to vote, carries unanimously.
- 80 A video tape was made of the MMA presentation meeting on 7-14-11.
- 81 A video tape was recorded of the presentation by Rick James on 7-10-11.
- 82 Jeff requested that e-mail communications between a representative of Friends of Maine Mountains
83 and himself be amended to the minutes.
- 84 Motioned and seconded to end the meeting, call to vote carries unanimously.
- 85 Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm
- 86 Minute taken by James Gammon.
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