

**TOWN OF MARSHFIELD
FOND DU LAC COUNTY, WISCONSIN**
Minutes of Wind Turbine Standing Committee, October 15, 7:00 pm

Presiding officer, John Bord, called the meeting to order leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Confirmation of Publication was noted. Town officers present were John Bord, Ken Kraus, Cathy Seibel and Connie Pickart. We Energies was represented by Tanya Holler Muench, Mark Noah and Bob Servais. Representing the ‘Concerned Citizens’ were Jim Mueller, and Larry Lamont. John Geriach and Dick VanderVelde were absent. Jim Vollmer and Joe Bauer were also present.

Connie noted additions/corrections to the September minutes: We Energies would look into providing Jim Vollmer with a satellite radio. They did not offer Mr. Vollmer a Cirrus radio channel. Also, Larry Lamont requested that a comment regarding whether the turbines could be turned off when they are not producing be included in the minutes. Mark Noah replied, “No they could not be turned off.” “There is always power to them.”

Tanya provided a summary of follow-up activities from the September meeting:

1. Jim Vollmer received a new connector. Jim reports this worked. Stray voltage testing showed no stray electrical activity. Bob Servias reported that audio-visual, lip sync, was off .1 of a second. “This happens in higher definition TV.” Tanya stated a ‘Receiver Switch Out’ may be an alternative. Bob offered to help Jim adjust his TV.

Tanya reported that We Energies will give the local channels including the ‘family package’ to all residents within the wind farm who experience problems with TV reception because of the wind turbines, beyond the contracted two year term. Jim Mueller stated, “We realize it is impossible to give us all we had. You are trying to make us whole and we thank you for that.”

Jim Vollmer stated that regarding radio reception, we’re “at a stand-still”. “Whatever, they have done, it’s been a waste of time.”

A satellite radio system will be installed at different sites to determine if satellite may be a solution. Tanya stated that We Energies is not opposed to fixing the radio problem, but “We cannot be taken advantage of. There needs to be justification. We need documentation.”

2. We Energies has offered to install an antenna at the Rose Petrie residence per Petrie’s request. If that does not fix their problem, We Energies has offered to install the Dish system.
3. Elizabeth Ebertz received the weather radio. She will contact We Energies if she wishes to pursue repositioning the satellite dish.
4. Joshua Tank received the DISH Network and reported it was working well.

There were no new Concerned Citizen Forms for the month of October. Bruce Dalka has filed a form and will be addressed at the Thursday, November 12th meeting at 7:00 pm. Jim Mueller asked if the turbines could be turned off when they are not active. Mark replied, “Our system does not have that capability, to sense and turn off automatically.”

Cathy moved to adjourn and Larry Lamont seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Connie Pickart, recording clerk