

## TOWN OF TRURO P.O. Box 2030, Truro MA 02666 Tel: (508) 349-7004 Fax: (508) 349-5505

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In accordance with the Truro Town Charter, Chapter 6-4-4, the Board of Selectmen have unanimously voted to enact the following Charge:

## **Energy Committee**

The Energy Committee's primary focus will be to investigate, study, and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen on:

- The energy consumption and energy efficiency of all Town-owned facilities and equipment.
- Methods for conserving the use of all energy sources at Town-owned facilities.
- Options for using alternative sources of energy eg., land-based wind turbines, solar panels at Townowned facilities and equipment.
- Liaise with the Building Committee on energy issues regarding the new construction/rehabilitation of Town-owned facilities.

The Energy Committee will also maintain communications with other Energy Committees in Barnstable County, and with county and state commissions, to ensure that Truro works effectively with the wider community in achieving the above Town goals.

The Energy Committee may also recommend to the Board of Selectmen whatever actions are necessary to implement the Town's commitment to the U.S. Mayors' Cities Climate Protection Agreement, and, if approved, take such actions, including:

- To prepare a baseline study of the greenhouse gas emissions of the entire Town of Truro, including municipal, residential, institutional, and commercial sectors.
- To prepare a set of goals for the reduction of those emissions.
- To prepare plans outlining the specific policies necessary to achieve those goals, for the approval of the Selectmen.
- To help put the plans into effect, and to monitor their effects.

## **Committee Structure and Term**

The Energy Committee will include the Town Administrator or Assistant Town Administrator (to be determined by the Town Administrator) as support staff as necessary, five (5) citizen members-at large with three alternate members. The Committee is authorized to seek outside expert advice and counsel. If funding is deemed necessary, in support of the Committee, an expense budget should be submitted in advance to the Board of Selectmen for consideration.

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This is to be a Standing Committee that will serve indefinitely and will provide quarterly progress reports to the Board of Selectmen.

Curtis Hartman, Chairman

Christopher R. Lucy, Vice-Chairman

Janet W. Worthington, Clerk

Gary Palmer

William F. Golden Board of Selectmen Town of Truro