Town Of Truro Commonwealth of Massachusetts Energy Committee Minutes

June 29, 2019

The Energy Committee held a meeting on June 29, 2019 at the Truro Public Library. Chairman Brian Boyle called the meeting to order. Members present were Mark Farber and Bob Higgins-Steele.

Truro Connections

John Marksbury joined the meeting to discuss the August 26, 2019 Truro Connections program on "Renewable Energy for Truro and Beyond." He described the background and intent of the program and invited the Committee to support and participate in the program. Mr. Boyle agreed to join the panel as a speaker to provide the history of the Energy Committee and its current focus and activities.

Mr. Marksbury then left the meeting.

New Business

The Committee discussed several possible new activities. Mr. Higgins-Steele agreed to investigate building codes in other jurisdictions that may require new buildings to be solar-ready. Mr. Farber agreed to investigate commercial uses of whole-building heat pumps.

The Committee discussed the accumulated Net Metering Credit that the Town has built up from its solar contract. Alternatives include monetizing the credit by selling it to other public, nonprofit, or private electricity customers on the Cape; or saving it for later use by new electric loads that may result from converting current fossil fuel uses to electricity.

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