## Town Of Truro Commonwealth of Massachusetts Energy Committee Minutes

## **August 9, 2021**

A meeting of the Energy Committee was held on August 9, 2021, convened at 4:30p via GoToMeeting. Attending from the Energy Committee were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, Nancy Medoff, and James Nash.

Budget Development with Town Staff. Bob and Jim agreed to be key liaison with Town staff on annual budgeting and long-term capital planning. Bob reported that the Town anticipates a workshop on capital planning and RFP development that we'll participate in.

Minutes of the June 14, 2021 meeting were approved.

CVEC and Cape Light Compact. Bob reported that CLC believes that the allocated budget is insufficient to achieve the state's climate goals. The 3-year plan is still under development, effective January 1, 2022. It will inevitably raise electric rates, but likely not enough. No CVEC developments.

Outer Cape Energy Committees. On July 14, there was a meeting of the Outer Cape Energy Committees. Brian, Bob, and Mark attended. The meeting was a good opportunity to connect with other similar groups and coordinate activities.

Net Metering Credits. Mark reported no progress on selling our excess NMCs. We will expand our outreach program. Nancy and Mark will connect to restart our process.

Electric Vehicles. We discussed potential Town involvement in EV charging stations, for its own use or for use by residents and visitors.

Cloverleaf. Jim connected with the project developer, who reported that they're in the process of modifying their designs to incorporate the recommendations of their Passive House consultant, New Ecology.

Building Codes, Net Zero Goals, State Agencies. The Committee briefly discussed the upcoming revision in the state building code, with public comment beginning in September.

Select Board Meeting. We've been asked to meet with the Select Board on the Committee's activities. Brian will confirm a schedule.

Public Comment. No members of the public were present.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for September 15, 2021, 4:30p. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00p.

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