Town Of Truro Commonwealth of Massachusetts Energy Committee Minutes

March 8, 2021

A meeting of the Energy Committee was held on March 8, 2021, convened at 4:30p via GoToMeeting. Attending from the Energy Committee were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, Nancy Medoff (joining late), James Nash, and Todd Schwebel, being all of the Committee.

Minutes of the January 4 and February 8, 2021 meetings were approved.

CVEC. Mark has completed a draft memo proposing that Truro join the Cape & Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC). After discussion, the Committee endorsed the proposal. Mark will complete and submit the memo to Town administration.

Cape Light Compact. Bob urged the Committee to weigh in on the upcoming 3-year plan, and, specifically, to urge support for higher municipal retrofits.

Net Zero and Passive House. The Committee discussed ways to raise the consciousness of local homeowners and builders about net zero and modular homes.

Walsh Property. Brian and Jim have completed and will submit to the Walsh Committee facilitator a memo recommending the appointment of an Energy Committee liaison. Todd attended the Walsh Planning Committee as member.

Cloverleaf. The Committee noted that the Cloverleaf project is likely to be delayed due to a court challenge. Jim will continue to stay in touch with the developer to offer energy-related information and support.

Stretch Code. Bob briefed the Committee about the current debate at the state level regarding proposals for a new stretch code.

Solar Inventory. Brian is nearing completion of incorporating 2020 data into the Solar Inventory database.

New Solar System. The Committee discussed the opportunity to develop solar on the landfill.

EV Charging. Bob described a state program that funds 80% of business-sited EV charging stations. The Committee will share this with potential prospects.

Public Comment. No members of the public were present.

The next meeting will be held April 12, 2021, 4:30p. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30p.

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