## Town Of Truro Commonwealth of Massachusetts Energy Committee Minutes

## February 14, 2022

The Energy Committee held a meeting on February 14, 2022, convened via GoToMeeting at 4:30p. Attending were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, James Nash, and Lindsey Wilson, being all of the Committee.

Minutes were approved of the meeting of January 17, 2022.

Cape Light Compact and Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative. Bob reported that CLC is pushing back on the DPU's rejection of its low-income proposal with both judicial appeal and legislative action. In addition, DPU has notified CLC that it may be out of compliance as a Program Administrator because of insufficient home energy assessments. Truro has 33% audit uptake.

No update regarding CVEC.

**Regional Energy Committees.** Bob also reported on the meeting of the Outer Cape energy and climate committees. A vendor of electric vehicle chargers presented to the group. Julian Cyr is planning to attend the March 1 meeting of the group.

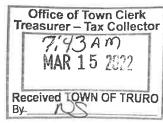
Climate Action Committee. The Committee set its 2022 goals. Brian had a discussion with the chair of the Walsh Committee, and he will sent a memo to that Committee expressing our interest and offering assistance.

Building Energy Code. The Committee had a discussion about longer-term proactive efficiency projects. Jim and Bob attended a DOER webinar about the upcoming new stretch code. There will now be three codes: the base code, the stretch code (which Green Communities are required to adopt), and a stricter opt-in code. Towns that adopt the opt-in code are expected to have access to new project funding. The first chance to adopt the opt-in code will come at the beginning of 2023. Comments on the draft code are due March 9, 2022.

Net Metering Credits. Mark reported that we had a meeting with Brewster's town administrator on January 21 to discuss NMCs. They have interest, and we're waiting for their next step.

Landfill Solar. Barbara Carboni has now tentatively concluded that Truro's landfill solar project does not qualify for a streamlined procurement process because Truro is not intending to be the major offtaker of the project's output. Mark has confirmed with DOER that it does not have a model RFP for leasing the landfill for solar development. Mark will investigate other towns' procurement efforts for sample RFPs.

Major Projects. Brian will contact Jarrod about the status of the Public Safety Building energy report.



The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2022 at 4:30p. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00p.

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