

**Town Of Truro
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Energy Committee Minutes**

June 13, 2022

The Energy Committee held a meeting on June 13, 2022, convened via GoToMeeting at 4:30p. Attending were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, and Lindsey Wilson, being a quorum of the Committee. Jarrod Cabral, DPW Director, joined the meeting.

Town Update. Jarrod provided updates regarding budgeting, including budget pressure due to increasing inflation, particularly fuel. The DPW facility feasibility study has been completed. The solar RFP is in Mark's court to respond to Barbara's comments. Two plug-in EV vehicles have been ordered for Town Hall, though there are potential issues relating to global supply chains. The Committee discussed modifying the current vehicle replacement policy to include an EV-first policy, which will be one of the requirements of the next generation of Green Communities. Lindsey will work with Jarrod on a proposal. The Committee discussed a potential policy for electricity pricing at Town-owned public EV charging facilities: perhaps higher than the Town's electricity cost but lower than the gasoline-equivalent. The Committee also discussed potential future chargers. Beach locations have some challenges, including power availability, public access (beach stickers), and flood plain locations. Mark asked for Jarrod's assistance on advancing a net metering credit agreement.

Jarrod left the meeting.

Minutes. Minutes from the May 9, 2022 meeting were approved.

CLC and CVEC. No updates on either Cape Light Compact or the Cape and Vineyard Electric Coop.

Climate Action Committee (CAC). Bob discussed the draft Whole Government Approach document that the CAC prepared and endorsed, dated April 27, 2022. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Energy Committee unanimously endorsed the document.

Green Communities. Lindsey provided a brief update.

Building Codes, Net Zero. The Committee discussed building codes and Article 53.

Solar Inventory. Brian will draft a request to the building commissioner to track battery storage installations including both kW and kWh capacity in addition to tracking solar installations.

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The next meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2022 at 4:30p. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55p.

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