

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

December 12, 2022

The Energy Committee held a meeting on December 12, 2022, convened via GoToMeeting at 4:30p. Attending were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, and David Spencer, being a quorum of the Committee. Bob Weinstein, Select Board liaison, joined the meeting.

Minutes of the November 14, 2022 meeting were approved.

Whole Government Approach. The Committee discussed the process of proposing a Whole Government Approach, including handling comments on the draft. The goal is to present it to the Select Board in January.

Net Metering Credits. Mark updated the Committee on discussions with and a memo presented to Alex Lessing, Finance Director.

Solar. Mark updated the Committee on recent developments by CVEC regarding Truro's proposed solar developments. David discussed the implications of the new tax rules. There was lengthy discussion, including other potential sites. On a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Energy Committee unanimously supports the recommendation to Town administration and the Select Board to fully explore the development of solar sites with the Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative.

Outer Cape Climate Action Committee. Bob Higgins-Steele described the plan to begin outreach to builders to promote the "stretchier" energy code.

Major Projects. The Committee discussed how best to encourage best practices with respect to deep retrofits for upcoming major projects.

Climate Action Committee. Bob also described initial plans to explore community solar and microgrids.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2023 at 4:30p. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10p.

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