

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

**April 3, 2023**

The Energy Committee held a meeting on April 3, 2023, convened via GoToMeeting at 4:30 pm. Attending were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, David Spencer, and Lindsey Wilson, being a quorum of the Committee. Jarrod Cabral, DPW Director, and Kait Blehm, Truro Local Comprehensive Planning Committee (LCPC) member, also joined the meeting.

**Town Update.** Jarrod reported that the Net Metering Credit Agreement is nearing completion. He also reported on progress toward database completion for energy use tracking and associated training. Charge station locations have been approved by the Select Board, and applications have been submitted to Eversource. There is a new contact for Cape Light Compact. And Jarrod reported on progress on upcoming school projects: roof repair and HVAC repair, including controls.

Jarrod left the meeting.

**Comprehensive Planning.** Kait Blehm described the LCPC's process for updating Truro's Local Comprehensive Plan (LCP). The Energy Committee had a number of suggestions for the energy section and committed to organizing and submitting comments to the LCPC. Kait urged the Energy Committee to comment on topics where energy is also relevant, such as transportation and housing.

Kait left the meeting.

The Committee discussed how to take the next steps on LCP comments. Mark will start on the Draft Goals and Objectives, and David will start on the Vision Statement.

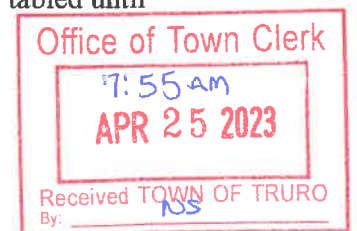
**Minutes.** Minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting were approved.

**Specialized Energy Code.** The Select Board unanimously approved supporting the Specialized Code warrant article and recommending it to Town Meeting. Bob discussed next steps for community outreach. The Committee had a long discussion about how to best promote the new code.

**Building Department.** Bob reported that the Building Department would like from us a document explaining the data requirements for permit applications. Bob and Brian will work on this for the next meeting.

**MVP Grant.** Bob solicited comments on a draft grant concept for the Commonwealth's Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program, focused on grid resilience, microgrids, and emergency shelters. The committee approved the proposed draft.

**Whole Government Approach (WGA).** The committee discussed the current draft of the WGA paper but was unable to reach consensus on the document. It was tabled until the next meeting.



The next meetings are scheduled for April 24, 2023 at 4:30 pm and May 22, 2023 at 4:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

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