Outer Cape Climate and Energy Committees

October 5, 2021

Attending: Susan Chandler, Roberta Longley, Robert Shapiro, Bob Higgins-Steele, Suzanne Ryan, Valerie Nelson, Martin Culik, Richard Elkin, Eric Mays, Carol Harris, Gorham Brigham, Carol Magenau, Lilli-Ann Green, Devon O'Rourke, Mark Farber, Brian Boyle

The Climate and Energy Committees of the Outer Cape convened virtually on October 5, 2021 at 4:30pm. Carol Harris chaired the meeting.

Truro Greenhouse Gas Inventory. Eric Mays presented the Truro Greenhouse Gas Inventory, a powerpoint previously presented to the Truro Select Board. The goal was to estimate the Town's carbon impact and hopefully track decarbonization progress. Discussion included data sources and methodology; results and implications; and analytical challenges and opportunities for improvement.

Mission Statement. Suzanne Ryan and Carol Magenau presented a proposed Mission Statement for the group, which was adopted.

Outer Cape Energize. Dick Elkin discussed how we might sponsor and/or participate in an EV car show next year. The group discussed forming a steering committee with at least one representative per town.

Joint Grants. Suzanne Ryan proposed the formation of a subgroup to examine joint grants. She discussed a couple of examples of climate-related grant opportunities. An exploratory committee was formed, and the group decided to devote time at the next meeting to brainstorming ideas for joint action.

Housekeeping. Carol Harris led a brief discussion of meeting facilitation, public notice of meetings and minutes, and a matrix spreadsheet to facilitate networking.

Public Comment. Valerie Nelson of Gloucester, MA introduced herself and commented on opportunities for further geographical coordination.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

Mark Farber Truro Energy Committee

