From: Select Board
To: Energy Committee

In accordance with the Truro Town Charter, Chapter 6-4-4, the Select Board has unanimously voted to enact the following Charge:

**Energy Committee**

The Energy Committee's primary focus will be to investigate, study, and make recommendations to the Select Board on:

- The energy consumption and energy efficiency of all Town-owned facilities and equipment.
- Methods for conserving the use of all energy sources at Town-owned facilities.
- Options for using alternative sources of energy - eg., land-based wind turbines, solar panels - at Town-owned facilities and equipment.
- Liaise with the Building Committee on energy issues regarding the new construction/rehabilitation of Town-owned facilities.

The Energy Committee will also maintain communications with the Climate Action Committee, other Energy Committees in Barnstable County, and with county and state commissions, to ensure that Truro works effectively with the wider community in achieving the above Town goals.

The Energy Committee may also recommend to the Select Board whatever actions are necessary to implement the Town's commitment to the U.S. Mayors' Cities Climate Protection Agreement, and, if approved, take such actions, including:

- To prepare a baseline study of the greenhouse gas emissions of the entire town of Truro, including municipal, residential, institutional, and commercial sectors, in concert with the Truro Climate Action Committee.
- To prepare a set of goals for the reduction of those emissions, in concert with the Truro Climate Action Committee.
- To prepare plans outlining the specific policies necessary to achieve those goals, for the approval of the Select Board, in concert with the Truro Climate Action Committee.
- To help put the plans into effect, and to monitor their effects.

**Committee Structure and Term**

The Energy Committee will include the Town Manager or designee (to be determined by the Town Manager) as support staff as necessary, five (5) citizen members-at large with three alternate members. The Committee is authorized to seek outside expert advice and counsel. If funding is deemed necessary, in support of the Committee, an expense budget should be submitted in advance to the Town Manager for inclusion in the budget presentation.
This is to be a Standing Committee that will serve indefinitely and will provide quarterly progress reports to the Select Board.

Janet W. Worthington, Chair

Maureen Burgess, Vice-Chair

Kristen Reed, Clerk

Robert Weinstein

Susan Areson

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