

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

June 21, 2023

The Energy Committee held a meeting on June 21, 2023, convened via GoToMeeting at 4:30p. Attending were Brian Boyle (Chair), Mark Farber, Bob Higgins-Steele, David Spencer, and Lindsey Wilson, being all of the Committee. Jarrod Cabral, Director of Public Works, also attended, as well as two representatives from Weston & Sampson, Michael Richard and Scott Henriques. Robert Panessiti, Chair of the Finance Committee, also attended.

Town Update. Jarrod confirmed that the Net Metering Credit contract with Brewster has now been signed. And he confirmed that we're still waiting for Eversource to act on the new charging station installations.

Regarding the new DPW building, the W&S staff discussed the assumption of a 3-6% cost premium for energy systems, including materials and labor. Scott confirmed that the 3-6% represents the change from the old stretch code to the new stretch code. Supply chain issues could still be a major factor on cost and schedule. The impact of the Specialized Code is not yet known because it's so early but is likely to be higher because it's largely an all-electric requirement. Other topics discussed included how rebates and tax credits affects decision-making and financing; space conditioning for vehicle storage space; and designing for future requirements. Regarding the Public Safety Building, Jarrod confirmed that bid opening will be June 28.

Jarrod Cabral, Michael Richard, and Scott Henriques left the meeting.

Town Budgeting. We discussed with Bob Panessiti how the Energy Committee can best interact with the Finance Committee for budgeting.

Vehicle Inventory. Brian and Lindsey have successfully accessed the vehicle inventory system.

EV First Policy. Jarrod now has the current and final version of the proposed policy and expects to submit it to the Select Board soon.

CVEC and Solar Options. We are still waiting for CVEC's proposed language for our participation in their joint procurement. Bob raised the issue of preserving existing funding for a consultant to evaluate solar options.

The next meeting was scheduled for July 17, 2023 at 4:30pm. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05pm.



Mark A Farber

