

Truro Climate Action Committee Minutes
Thursday, March 3, 2022

Carol Harris
3/30/22

Present: Bob Higgins-Steele, Carol Harris, Fred Gaechter, Rebecca Bruyn,

2/3/20 minutes approved

No public attended

2022 Goals: During our brainstorming, session we discussed goals. The Climate Action plan takes precedence. Carol and Fred will work on CAP then bring it back to the committee.

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Reviewed open actions:

EV Charging incentives are changing

Bob will contact Eric to add Eversource incentives to the Provisioning EV Chargers for Truro document.

Carol suggests we add "At the time of this writing both Eversource and MassEVIP are rewriting the charging station incentives"

Eric to approve new document. When Eric and Bob are happy with the product and the cover letter is done give it to Carol by March 12

Climate agent position Carol and Rebecca will continue writing the Climate agent position proposal for the 2023 ATM

Discussed Sept 16 EC meeting and PV at the Transfer station

April Truro talks Carol will prepare a native plants article including a native plant list. Sometimes Truro Talks will be published articles without review by the committee. Discussion of possible future series of "climate actions by room" i.e., kitchen

Meeting with Boards and Committees Carol noted that a meeting with the Finance Committee is important

Whole Government approach Bob to resend Fred docs. They will report

CLC status Bob to reach out to CLC wk. 3/7/2022 Meanwhile CLC would like suggestions to get more energy audits. Part time residents? Bob to get email address for Truro PTRTA director and Regan McCarthy, past president **Carol to contact them** Rebecca suggests we cultivate a connection to the school. Work with Stephanie? **Action and person, date, not assigned**

We will not do an open action update next meeting

Slide decks Bob to contact DOER for permission to use updated slide decks for the 2050 Decarbonization Roadmap (**Done**)

If we cannot get permission from DOER Bob will create new slide decks. Bob will present. Keep presentation to ½ hr. if possible.

The Climate Act slide deck (previously sent) is ready for review by Committee

Updates:

Carol will send planning board proposals for wastewater to see if CAC will support them.

The Committee adds a goal: Adopt specialized opt-in energy code.

Supporting actions? Bob suggests periodic Truro Talks stretch code articles. Reach out to other boards? The Committee will discuss this at the next meeting

Senator Cyr at Outer Cape Climate Action Committee Balancing Affordable Housing and Climate goals are difficult to balance. The opt-in code is very important for all towns. It is the hardest action to achieve and most painful to implement. We need to be creative about financing solutions to make a new code affordable for low- and moderate-income households and people on a fixed income.

Senator Cyr responded to a Wellfleet question about the Nauset regional High school with "No one came to me" We need to consider contacting our elected officials when there is an issue with State requirements or regulations

Committee members should list resource requirements along with actions so we don't duplicate expense.

Update from Energy Committee:

Town would like to take revenue from potential PV farm at transfer station for a combined Climate agent solid waste person. That position will be part of the DPW. The PV at the transfer station project is stalled.

Agenda for next meeting is set.

Meeting Adjourned 12:30

Respectfully submitted Bob Higgins-Steele

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