

Climate Action Committee Climate Minutes May 12, 2022

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

Public present Georgia Neill, Lili Flanders

June Truro Talks article confirmed "Who needs a new-fangled stretch code anyway?" No edits

The Committee discussed Contractor outreach for Stretch Code support by the CAC if the Energy Committee (EC) doesn't want to pursue it.

Vice Chair Higgins-Steele (H-S) cannot do one-on-one outreach right now

The Committee deferred discussing input and suggestions for signage at the High Head conservation area

Member Bruyn suggested a Committee walk through once the trails are ready

ACTION: Member Bruyn to ask Member Gaechter when trails will be ready

Chair to check if a site visit needs to be posted (it does not if there is no deliberation per OML)

Vice Chair Higgins-Steele presents Stretch code PowerPoint to inform SB and others. It's deemed too long. **ACTION: Vice -Chair HS and Member Bruyn** will continue editing this presentation. The presentation will become a tool for outreach to diverse groups.

Vice Chair to check w Truro's Green Communities representative about whether the CAC can be briefed see the overview of Department of Energy Resources Green Communities 2.0 (GC 2.0)

UPDATES:

Chair Harris participated in Panel discussion w Cape Ann Climate Action. Committee and members may advocate for municipalities to comment and contact the State with Climate actions. The state "keeps score" of comments when making policy decisions

Member Bruyn and Vice chair HS are working through the committees EV charging for businesses goal by making calls and visiting businesses to build an email list of Truro businesses .

EC: The RFP for solar installations at various municipal locations in Truro is 85% done. The 3 Acre old burn dump of S. Highland Rd was added to the list of potential solar sites.

Vice chair / EC member HS has reservations about the burn dump site aside from the politics and potential actions by the property's abutters He would rather see rooftop and parking lot solar be developed first before open space.

The Burn dump conversation will be added to the agenda for the next meeting

Article 53 Update

Writing a warrant article for the 2023 ATM has a long lead time.

TOWN OF TRURO
10:04 AM

JUN 24 2022

RECEIVED
TOWN CLERK
NS

The EC decided it is premature for the EC to work on Article 53's Definition of net zero building"
There are prepackaged definitions of Net Zero Building by recognized experts . EC will see how
the Stretch Code/ Net Zero proposal and definition unfolds at the state level. The two
Committee's time is better spent passing stretch code.
Article 53 will take care of itself if the Committees work to pass the stretch code.

Cape Light compact database ACTION HS will get CLC energy audit numbers for Truro

Member Bruyn may meet with the Chamber of Commerce re the Committee's recruiting
document and outreach.

Chair Harris invited the volunteers to contact the chair or other Committee members for easier
onboarding and being brought up to speed

Adjourned 12:30

Reference recording: <http://trurotv.truro-ma.gov/CablecastPublicSite/show/5378?channel=1>

Docs: Stretchier Code PowerPoint

Respectfully submitted Bob Higgins-Steele



6/24/2022

