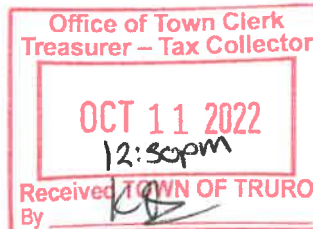


Climate Action Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2022



Carly
9/11/22

Members Present: Carol Harris, Chair, Rebecca Bruyn, Fred Gaechter
Guests: Lili Flanders and Georgia Neill
Town Liaison: Emily Harris *Buba*

Topic	Discussion	Action
Minutes	Reviewed. Only change needed is the year of the minutes. With change made, Fred moved to approve, Carol seconded it and all approved the minutes for 8/4/22	None at this time
Public Comment	None at this time	
Climate Action Job Description	Much discussion re the position. Carol had sent other descriptions of town positions. All agreed that the title of the position would be best understood by our town if "climate action" manager/director is used vs. "sustainability" manager/director. This kind of position could possibly report to Town Manager or to both Emily and Jarrod. Will needs lots of discussion with town and then approval by the town at the next ATM. All agreed to review other town positions and email recommendations to Carol by 8/28/22	Carol will resend positions and the draft she started. She will pull together everyone's ideas to present at next meeting.
Letter to DOER	A formal letter to the DOER was presented by the EC to the SB last week, requesting the SB to support. Due to the technical nature of the document, the complexity of the issue and therefore a lack of understanding of the content, the SB chose not to sign the document. The CAC and EC will sign it and submit to the DOER. More education needs to be provided to the SB members who will time to digest many of the issues that are front and center for the EC/CAC.	Ongoing
Truro Talks articles	Discussion re various ideas for the next few months; Preparing for the fall, Interviews with residents re purchasing EVs, building to Net Zero, the impact on the fishing industry, steps residents have taken on their own, moving from oil to electric, something about the specific impact that climate change has for the town of Truro. Reviewed and approved Georgia's September article with agreed changes.	Lili for October – <i>moving from oil to electric</i> Fred for November – <i>the dangers if we do nothing</i>
Article 53	This citizens petition, "establishing a net zero building standard for town funded building projects" that was passed at this year's ATM has put the CAC, the EC and	Carol to draft memo to the EC as a step

	the SB in an odd position. All agreed that we will need to have something in place before next ATM. In the meantime, the DOER continues to ask for feedback re the <i>stretch vs. stretchier building code</i> . It was decided that the EC and the CAC need to meet with the SB re; the charge that the SB was given. That then makes this process formal for documentation purposes as well as taking steps to a possible resolution.	towards moving the SB forward on Article 53
Mill Pond Road	Discussion re the proposed DPW actions to address the Mill Pond Road area. All agreed it would be best if Jarrod could attend a CAC meeting to discuss options.	Carol to reach out to Jarrod
Info tables	Discussed the response of the table at the Transfer Station last week. Enjoying working with the Cape Light Compact. The resident's responses vary which is to be expected. Happy to have a presence out in the community. Just need a banner. Dates for September, October, November are set for the Community Center and Library. We can continue to go to Transfer Station as well.	Carol to order banner for the table.
Shifting our focus, a bit	Discussion re how to get the residents involved. Rebecca mentioned she ran a monthly eco team from her home around 2009 to support one another in small behavioral changes and learning about how to read the electric bill for example. It's time to shift some of our focus to getting residents engaged. Discussed starting up a monthly support group at the library, for example.	More to come.
Next meeting	September 1 at 10:30	

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Bruyn

