

TRURO LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE (LCPC)

Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2018 - 5:00pm

Truro Town Hall

Members Present: Chris Clark, Morgan Clark, Ellery Althaus, Claudia Tuckey, Steve Sollog, Cally Harper (Absent: Jay Coburn, Eric Jansen)

Energy Section – discussion of data, goals, and actions. This discussion is continued from January 11, 2018.

Ms. Harper received data from the Building Department on buildings with geothermal, solar and net zero technology. She also mentioned that she received the Green Communities Report from the Department of Public Works. The Committee reviewed the data. The Building Department is still compiling data on the stretch code. The Committee had a discussion on net zero homes in town and whether or not those structures have zero energy usage. The LCPC discussed whether or not square footage or age of a home could be used a proxy for energy usage because older and large homes likely consume more energy. Mr. Althaus described his experience with energy audits through the Cape Light Compact for his business, The Salty Market.

The LCPC discussed ways to engage with the public about energy and possibly describing ways to engage with the public in the actions items section of the Energy Chapter. The town could hold workshops or create brochures with information on how to install solar panels on homes, general information about renewable energy, the advantages and disadvantages of renewable energy or a Q&A with builders in town who have experience constructing energy efficient homes. Mr. Clark mentioned that he would reach out to Mr. Boyle, the Chair of the Truro Energy Committee for more information about energy activities in town.

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