

Monday June 10, 2024

## Energy Committee Remote Meeting Notes

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### Attendee

Chair Brian Boyle  
Vice Chair Bob Higgins-Steele  
David Spencer  
Harry Irwin (author)

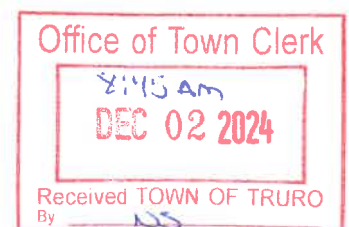
### Public Comment - None

### Minutes from May 16, 2024 - Accepted

**Climate Leaders discussion** - Application date for the town to become a Climate Leader has been moved to July 25th.

- Climate Leaders application needs 6 months of approved Energy Committee meeting notes. Those notes have been completed
- Bob HS said we have been approved for the municipal decarbonization road map.
- Climate Leaders program will not accept incomplete applications. Bob HS wants someone to double check the application for completeness. Then send to Jarrod Cabral to submit the application. Brian B volunteered to be the checker.
- We are on the Select Board Agenda for June 25th to present Zero-Emission Vehicle First Policy which will replace the original Green Community Fuel Efficiency First policy.
- All documents that need to be presented to the Select Board should be submitted in a packet by Wednesday June 12, 2024.
- The Climate Leaders application on done online with many documents to upload.
- The Truro School District also has to sign an agreement for 2050 Net Zero Commitment and Zero-Emission Vehicle First Policy.

**DPW Ad Hoc Committee** - Next meeting is June 20th



- Capital Improvement memo from Lindsey should apply to the DPW building. Energy Committee input for the need of a 3rd party peer review engineer (Building Science Inc or equal) should be adopted by the DPW Ad Hoc committee before the RFI is sent out.
- Bob HS will send Harry next Tuesday June 18th the most current preliminary DPW site plan at Town Hall Hill to share with the geothermal contractors.

#### **Geothermal and new building project -**

- There was a presentation by Dandelion Energy at NESEA in March. In a follow up phone call Ryan Carda of Dandelion confirmed that: Geothermal is twice as efficient as air to air heat pumps, Dandelion works in Massachusetts and their geothermal product would be a good match for the Walsh housing development and the new DPW campus. If they receive a schematic site plan next week they could produce a preliminary design and budget and present it to the committee next month.
- The consensus from the EC is that the DPW and Walsh Property heating and AC energy loads should be satisfied by either air-to-air heat pumps or geothermal system (and not fossil fuel).

#### **Land Fill Solar - Lease or ownership**

- RFP was written by Mark Farber and is ready to go
- Ask Jarrod to send out a RFP for a lease solar field to other vendors
- Prepare a 2nd RFP for ownership options and send it out to Power Option and other vendors

#### **Discussion with Town Staff - None**

**Next meeting - Monday July 8, 2025**



22/29/2024

