

## Meeting Minutes

### Edgartown Energy Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 27, 2019

#### Attending:

Alan Strahler  
Carla Cooper  
Kara Shemeth  
Bonni Widdoes

- Minutes of the May 28, 2019 meeting were unanimously accepted.
- Carla shared a link showing all town properties, and allowing closer study of many of their characteristics. The link is:  
<https://dukescountygis.maps.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=08d72c70cd9141bd9fea4dad01153d8f>
- There was discussion of the Edgartown Park and Ride lot as an ideal place for a solar parking canopy and electric vehicle chargers. The Dark Woods Association neighborhood abuts this property, so outreach to them will be needed.
- Funding options for Park and Ride improvements were discussed. Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC), Cape Light Compact, South Mountain Company, Vineyard Power are possible options.
- Alan has accepted the Select Board's appointment as Town board member for CVEC.
- Alan inquired about Edgartown's past issues with a CVEC installation of solar panels at Smith Hollow and Katama Farm. Edgartown Town Administrator, James Hagerty, said he wanted to see Edgartown move forward with CVEC.
- Net Zero town buildings: Outreach to the Edgartown Planning Board will be necessary.
- The Vineyard Sustainable Energy Committee, composed of Island town Energy Committee heads, is seeking to propose a warrant article for spring, 2020 Island town meetings to aspire to move to 100% renewable energy on an updated timetable.
- State Incentives for electric and hybrid vehicles won't be considered by town departments now because there is a lag time as we are near the end of the fiscal year, so spending budgets have been used up. The EC will present incentives ands town department heads to consider EVs and HVs at an upcoming monthly meeting (first Monday of each month).
- There will be a meeting of the combined MV Energy Committees, VSEC, on July 24, 5-6:30 pm at the West Tisbury's Howes House. Alan and Bonni plan to attend.
- Sue Hruby, Chair of West Tisbury Energy Committee, will be addressing West Tisbury Selectmen's next meeting on July 10 at 4:30 PM to report on WT EC activities. We could

study how she does it for our own presentation to Edgartown Board of Selectmen. Alan and possibly Bonni will attend.

- The Committee will work toward an Edgartown Green Community application, which will require a town by-law adopted the Stretch building code to be approved at the Spring 2020 town meeting.
- Citizen's Climate Lobby (CCL) recently gave a public presentation on Carbon Fee and Dividend legislation. Bonni will investigate a possible future presentation to the town and/or our committee.
- For the next meeting, Kara will explore a possible layout for solar canopies at the Park and Ride and related issues. Carla will use the new GIS tool to find a few suitable locations for EV charging stations. Alan will see if a teleconference with someone from CVEC is possible to learn more about financing for solar projects. Bonni will accompany Alan to the WT Select Board and VSEC meetings.
- Next Edgartown Energy Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday July 23, 4:15, at the Edgartown Library, second floor meeting room.

Submitted by: Bonni Widdoes