

**Edgartown Energy Committee**  
Minutes for Wednesday, February 19, 2020

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order 4:08 pm

**ROLL CALL**

Alan Strahler (Chair), Carla Cooper, Kat Monterosso, Juliet Mulinare, Geoff Thors, Jane Chittick

Jane Chittick (member of public) attended to voice her concerns about the VTA Inductive chargers proposed on Church St. Her concerns include: tree cutting, road widening, mechanicals, hardscaping and general degradation of the Historic District.

**AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION**

1. Motion to approve January 29, 2020 Minutes. Motion was seconded, and the minutes approved by unanimous vote.
2. Green Community Update. Alan delivered a presentation at the 2/18/20 Board of Selectmen's meeting on the town's progress toward becoming a Green Community and what the remaining steps are. The Energy Committee received approval from the Board to move forward with a) RISE Engineering inspection of public buildings; b) Stretch Code Warrant article; c) Public hearing on the stretch code. A motion to hold a public hearing was made, seconded and approved by the Committee.
3. VTA Inductive chargers on Church St. Alan reported that following a public meeting on the issue, the Select Board referred the issue to the MVC for more study. A petition for a town warrant article asking for further study has been presented to the town. Jane Chittick asked the Committee to consider requiring more detailed, independent studies on the project, including alternative location analyses, and the overall success rate of inductive charging stations.
4. Report on EV Charging Stations. At the Energy Committee's request, the Town has applied for Eversource funding to bring power to the site selected. The next step is for Eversource to schedule site visits for prospective locations. Committee is still exploring the purchase v. subscription models. Juliet informed the Committee that the state limits leasing contracts to 3 years, which may preclude the 5-year subscription model. She recommended discussing the matter with James Hagerty and town counsel.
5. Warrant Article for *Aspirational 100% Renewable Martha's Vineyard Community Resolution*. Article is on all the town warrants. Listening sessions are scheduled in Chilmark (3/7, 4/4) & West Tisbury (3/24). Alan raised the possibility of a listening session in Edgartown.
6. Spring Initiatives. a) Solar energy consultant visit to identify potential solar panel installations; b) Edgartown Master Plan – Energy Committee should have a voice at the table. A motion was made to have an Energy Committee member be a liaison to the Master Planning Committee. The motion was seconded and approved by the Committee. Kat expressed her desire to be the Committee's liaison.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:46 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Carla Cooper