

Medfield Energy Committee Charter
Approved September 23, 2023

The Select Board appointed an Energy Committee to look, first and foremost, at the Town's energy use and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and develop recommendations that achieve energy savings, reduce GHG emissions and are cost effective over the life of the investment thereby positioning the Town's support of achievement of its energy and GHG objectives by 2050 aligned with State goals, roadmaps and incentives and as outlined in the Town's Warrant Article 22 (2021). Secondly, provide outreach and education to the Town's residents/businesses that could save energy and GHG emissions through the more efficient use of energy resources. To this end, the Select Board asks the Committee to look at the following areas:

- Measure energy and GHG emissions reduction progress for the town's buildings and fleet
- Develop long range plans for Town owned buildings and transportation to achieve energy and greenhouse gas emissions objectives by 2050.
- Provide energy efficiency and GHG reduction recommendations for town buildings, fleet and transportation.
- Reduce energy consumption through retrofitting of existing buildings, equipment, vehicles or processes.
- Encourage and provide advice on the development of energy efficient buildings, equipment, vehicles or processes.
- Recommend alternative energy resources to support goals and increase energy resiliency.
- Provide outreach and education to town's residences and businesses on ways to save energy and GHG emissions.
- Advise on and support the Town's implementation of the Town of Medfield Climate Action Plan which was approved by the Select Board on 9/27/22.

The Select Board recognizes that the above list may not address all of the possible solutions to this problem and encourage the Committee to develop and present recommendations to the Select Board as circumstances change or as new opportunities arise. Additionally, the Committee should ensure that recommendations and strategies are vetted appropriately with stakeholders and town citizens in advance of bringing issues and decisions before the citizens at Town meetings. Town officials are available for consultation with you or for the development of information, which will assist you in your deliberations. It is hoped that your Committee will meet regularly, with the Select Board to keep board members and the general public informed of its progress.