

**Resolution of the Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington
Creating the Town of Wilmington Energy Committee**

WHEREAS, under the authority granted to it pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Section 872, the Town of Wilmington Selectboard has authority to create supplemental committees, boards, or commissions.

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2018, the Town of Wilmington Selectboard, adopted Wilmington Town Plan pursuant to the State of Vermont law (Title 24 VSA Ch. 117), the Planning and Development Act amended in 2005 (the "Town Plan"),

WHEREAS, a section of the 2018 Town Plan contains energy efficiency, energy conservation and clean energy use goals set by the Resource and Energy Implementation subcommittee in May 2017 for years 2025, 2035, and 2050,

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont recognizes the need for municipal leadership to develop clean energy and climate action strategies to meet the municipal energy efficiency goals by enabling selectboards to appoint a Town Energy Committee and Town Energy Coordinator,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Selectboard that there shall be established for the Town of Wilmington, effective November 7, 2023, an Energy Committee according to the following terms:

1. The Wilmington Energy Committee will be composed of not more than seven (7) members appointed by the Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington, with the Energy Coordinator as the Energy Committee Chair, and at least three members representing town departments, committees, commissions or boards. Members will be appointed pursuant to town policy regarding Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees. The terms of committee members shall be for three (3) years, except the Energy Coordinator is an annual Selectboard appointment.
2. The purpose of the Wilmington Energy Committee shall be as follows:
 - A. To work closely with Town Officials to research and develop energy innovations, provide community outreach and education, and guide clean and sustainable energy strategies.
 - B. To join the Vermont Energy Climate Action Network to assist in meeting Wilmington's energy efficiency goals.
 - C. To assist town boards, departments, institutions and town residents on implementing options to reduce energy consumption and costs, and improve energy use and practices.
 - D. To recommend a full range of energy usage for town buildings, vehicles and equipment.
3. To promote energy efficiency opportunities, conservation opportunities, and clean energy use throughout the town. Officers of the Wilmington Energy Committee will consist of a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary either selected annually by majority vote of the committee or appointed by the Selectboard, at their discretion.
4. It will be the duty of the chairperson to preside at all meetings of the Wilmington Energy Committee and to call special meetings of the Committee when needed. The vice-chairperson will perform the duties of the chairperson in the latter's absence. The secretary will keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the committee, take minutes at the meetings, and post the agenda and minutes of meetings through the Office of the Town Manager.

5. All meetings held by the Wilmington Energy Committee will be open to the public unless an issue arises that requires an executive session. Regular meetings will be held each month for the first year, and its frequency may be adjusted annually thereafter. The meetings times and locations will be posted through the Office of Town Manager, no later than a 48-hour notice. A quorum will be not less than a majority of the members of the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following individuals are appointed to the Wilmington Energy Committee for the terms set forth herein:


Members Names

Bob Bois
ZA Jessica Twardy Roberts
Chief Scott Moore
Supt. Marshall Dix
Matthew Cole
Keith Johnson
Vacant

6. Additional committee members will be selected through recruitment and solicitation efforts for volunteers, with members appointed by the Selectboard. A Declaration of Inclusion was adopted by the Selectboard on October 18, 2022. The appointment of volunteers shall be made without regard to race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, or political affiliation.

Dated this 7th day of November 2023

TOWN OF WILMINGTON SELECTBOARD




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