



TOWN OF ESSEX VERMONT

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ENERGY COMMITTEE CHARTER

The Town of Essex recognizes that the use and cost of energy is a substantial and increasing municipal expense. The Town acknowledges its ability to provide leadership to its citizens in the conservation, efficiency and conversion to renewable, sustainable sources of energy. Therefore:

1) Pursuant to Section 209(b)(1) of the Charter of the Town of Essex, the Board of Selectmen hereby creates an Energy Committee with the following powers and duties:

a) To track municipal energy use and recommend to the Selectboard targets and actions for decreasing energy use; and

b) Research and recommend to the Selectboard opportunities to utilize renewable energy sources and increase the efficient use of energy within town operations; and

c) Research and recommend to the Selectboard funding options for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects; and

d) Develop and manage energy efficiency educational programs; and

e) Create annual reports on energy projects and opportunities.

f) Assist other Town committees and commissions in areas of related concern, including, but not limited to, the Energy section of the Town Plan.

2) The committee may request appropriations for operating expenses through the Town budget. The committee may request staff support through the Town Manager.

3) The committee may request grant funding, subject to Selectboard approval, to carry out its duties.

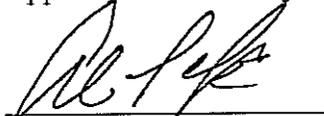
4) The committee shall consist of seven members. The terms of committee members shall be for three years, provided that in creating the first committee, three appointments shall be for one-year terms, two appointments shall be for two-year terms and two appointments shall be for three-year terms.

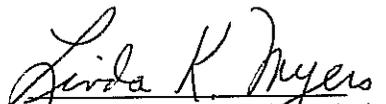
5) The committee shall not be a formal party or representative of the municipality in any venue without prior approval of the Town Manager.

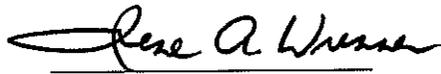
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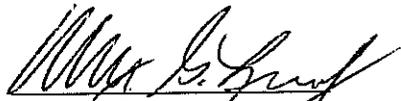
6) At its organizational meeting, the committee shall elect a chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary and shall adopt such rules, as it deems necessary for the performance of its functions.

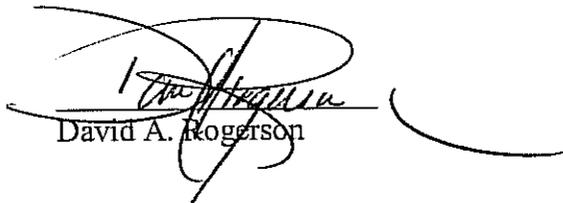
Approved this 19th day of May 2008 by the Essex Board of Selectmen.


Alan L. Nye, Chair


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