Suggested edits to the Medfield Energy Committee Charter :

The ~~Board of Selectmen~~ 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 to achieve its energy and GHG objectives by 2050 as outlined in the Town's Warrant Article 22 (2021). ~~and,~~ Secondly, provide outreach and education to the Town's ~~at the energy use of Town residents and businesses to see if the Town and its~~ residents/businesses that could save energy and GHG emissions ~~money and improve the environment~~, through the more efficient use of energy resources. ~~In addition, the Board recognizes the responsibility of each and every individual to do his/her part in reducing energy consumption and/or reducing potentially harmful emissions as part of a national energy conservation effort.~~ To this end, the ~~Select Board Selectmen~~ asks the Committee to look at the following areas:

- ~~Establishment of a baseline for measuring progress on reduction of energy usage~~
- 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 carbon objectives by 2050.
- Provide energy efficiency and GHG reduction recommendations for town buildings, fleet and transportation
- Reduce~~tion of~~ energy consumption through retrofitting of existing buildings, equipment, vehicles or processes~~.~~
- Design or purchase of energy efficient buildings, equipment, vehicles or processes.
- ~~Utilization of alternative energy sources.~~
- Recommend alternative energy resources to support goals and increase energy resiliency.
- ~~Development of public relations measures to encourage energy conservation~~
- Provide outreach and education to town's residences and businesses on ways to save energy and GHG emissions
- ~~Transportation initiatives~~
- Advise on and support the Town's implementation of the Town of Medfield Climate Action Plan (added and approved by Select Board on 9/27/22)
- Develop long range plans for Town owned buildings and transportation to achieve energy and GHG objectives by 2050.

The ~~Board of Selectman~~ Select Board recognizes that the above list may not address all of the possible solution to this problem and encourage the Committee to develop its own agenda and initiatives. To keep the Committee size at a reasonable level, Town officials were either made ex officio members of the Committee or not appointed to the Committee, but they 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. On behalf of the residents of Medfield, the ~~Board of Selectman~~ Select Board ~~would like to thank you for undertaking this critical task.~~

These edits were reviewed and approved by the Medfield Energy Committee on 9/13/23.