Bourne, Massachusetts
Board of Selectmen

Town of Bourne Climate Change Resolution

Be it resolved that the Town of Bourne, which respects the environment, especially its 50-plus miles of coastline, recognizes that the climate emergency — driven at least partially by human activity including energy consumption and land use practices and leading to global warming, rising seas, deadly storms, dangerous heat waves, acidifying oceans, and melting ice sheets — poses a threat to the health, safety and economic security of the residents of the Town. The Town of Bourne, joining with other Cape Cod towns, therefore adopts the objective of reducing net greenhouse gas emissions from human activity within and by the Town to zero at the earliest technically and economically feasible time. It is requested that all officers and departments of the Town be directed to take such measures within the scope of their respective responsibilities and authority as may be necessary and prudent to facilitate such objectives.

ADOPTED AND SIGNED THIS 1st Day of September 2020

Judith Froman MacLeod, Chair

James L. Potter, Vice Chair

George G. Slade, Jr.

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Jared P. MacDonald