

Minutes from the Craftsbury Energy Committee Meeting, 1/19/23 Present: Catherine, Alan, Mabel, Christina, Ned, Craig, Kevin, guest Peter Watkinson

- Craftsbury Public Library Solar & Battery Backup Project - Solar panels, inverter, battery, & racking have arrived. Waiting for a building permit.
- Susan O'Connell will post updates onto the Library Facebook page

- Municipal Energy Resilience Grant Waiting for state instructions.
Info at: <https://bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program>
- Kevin will make sure that local towns have info also

- Info Tabling: Weatherization, Efficiency Vt., Incentives, etc.
- Recycling Center 1/7 - 4 people signed up for inserts, other info
- March Town Meeting - Over 600 LED Light Bulbs to giveaway, along with a drawing for 5 free window inserts.
- Kevin will send out fliers in the upcoming Thursday Food Pantry and Monday meal along with posting onto FPF

- Community Firewood Project
- 2022 Firewood summary sent to Jared Nunery. Wait to hear from the state
- Writing a grant to buy 6 - 10 cords of logs - Kevin, Christina & Susie
- Grant funds available to buy a log splitter through "[Funding For Firewood Banks](#)" - Kevin will look into Liability Insurance and application
- Solicit donation of logs by local homeowners - Kevin will post

- Window Insert Program
- Hardwick Window Insert presentation, Sat. 1/21,
- Media piece for the local newspapers - Alan
- 225 Window Inserts is our goal this year. Last year was 238
- Apply for \$3500 of grants funds for free inserts this year
- Applying for Energize Vermont Grant, \$500 - 2022, \$500- 2023 - Alan
- NEGEF Grow Grant - Christina

- Vt. Community Foundation Grant - Susie & Kevin
- Discussion on Free Inserts to Renters - Agreed to treat a renter the same as other requests with a workshop requirement. Plus, we would talk to the landlord to see if they would contribute to the cost and/or participate in the Efficiency Vt. \$100 rebate program
- Kevin will look into COC workshop availability for this fall
- Advertising on new Window Inserts at Hardwick Chiropractic lobby
 - Kevin, Christina and Alan
- Inquire as to the potential of putting window inserts in:
 - Town Clerk's office - Kevin
 - E. Craftsbury Library - Craig
- Conduct a drawing at Town Meeting Day for 5 free Window Inserts.

- Free EV Chargers - GM Launches Its Dealer Community Charging Program With Flo. Kevin will look into this.

- Efficiency Vt. Better Building by Design Conference - April 5th & 6th
 - Energy Committee reduced rate, reimbursable by the town

- Potential 5th Semi Annual Energy Fair - Consensus is to host it. Ideas:

- Early June
- Combine with Farmers Market outside
- Get High School Student Council and student clubs involved - Catherine
- Locomotion E-bikes
- Electric Cars and Electric Lawn Mowers
- Clinic to help people fill out incentive paperwork
- Vermont Energy Education Program

- Clarify/expand Energy Committee Mission Statement - Alan and Christina

- Thermal detecting camera - Kevin and Alan will get it up and running
 Next scheduled Energy Committee Meeting Thursday, 2/16/23, 7 pm.