

## Minutes for the Craftsbury Energy Committee Meeting, 2/16/23

Present: Christina An, Alan Turnbull, Kevin Gregoire, Guest: Ian Nelson

- Craftsbury Public Library Solar & Battery Backup Project - No update

- Municipal Energy Resilience Grant - Still no word from the state

<https://bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program>

- Marketing of Energy Info - March Town Meeting - LED Light Bulb giveaway and drawing for 5 free window inserts.

- Fliers into Thursday Food Pantry and Monday meal, posting onto FPF

- Community Firewood Project

- 12 of 24 cords of log-length firewood delivered

- 5 households needed firewood over the winter - Split wood almost gone

- Firewood donations: - Julia and Hugh Pritchard on Mill Village Road

- GMTCC students cutting 1 - 2 cords at CA Woodlot, will deliver

- Sustainable Firewood Bank Model - Jared Nunery referral - Kevin

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

- Need Coordinator / Co-Coordinator, Divide up vendor contacts?

- Ideas: - Early June - Combine with Farmers Market outside?

- Get High School Student Council & student clubs involved -Catherine is working on it

Other Ideas:

- Electric Cars and Electric Lawn Mowers - Locomotion E-bikes

- Helping people fill out Energy-incentive paperwork - VEEP

- Clarify/expand Energy Committee Mission Statement - Alan and Christina will present at the next meeting

- Window Insert Program

- Submittal of Window Insert media piece once we hear about Grant funds

- Energize Vermont Grant, 2022 and 2023 - Alan has received commitment for \$500 for 2022. Waiting to hear about 2023 application

- NEGEF Grow Grant - Christina is getting close to submitting for \$4,000
  - Looking at including funds for a Thermal Imaging Camera
- Vt. Community Foundation Grant - Kevin - Waiting to see what Window Insert grant funds we may need after other grants obtained
- COC workshop availability for this fall - Tentative dates are 10/13 - 10/26
- Advertising at Hardwick Chiropractic lobby - Kevin, Christina and Alan
- Window Insert Marketing strategy - Christina - Talked about several ideas

- GM Free EV Chargers - Craig still looking into it

- Efficiency Vt. [Better Building by Design Conference](#) - April 5th & 6th

- [Community Partnership Scholarship](#), First come, first served, reimbursable by the town

- [\\$1000 Grant from VEC](#) - Log splitter?- Window Inserts? -Thermal Camera?

- Small, portable wood sheds on the Dustan Field Parking lot?
- Still to be talked about

- [Preservation Trust of Vt. Grant](#)

- Controversy over the State's proposed [Affordable Heat Act](#)

- Katerine Sims has agreed to paraphrase the Act on FPF

Next scheduled Energy Committee Meeting Thursday, 3/16/23, 7 pm.