

Minutes - Craftsbury Energy Committee Meeting, 5/18/23 Present: Ned Houston, Alan Turnbull, Mabel Houghton, Sten Seeman, Christina An, Kevin Gregoire, Ian Nelson

- Marketing of Energy Info

- Mabel to host Info table at Recycling, Sat., 5/27
- Mass mailing to every household - Will do this late summer/early fall - Use of MERP funds?
- Check with Town to see if they would give us email information of Households - Kevin
- Bill Chidsey offering Heat Pump Installation classes in Hardwick

- Community Firewood Project

- Possible Sat., June 3rd Wood Processing date - Possible GRP athletes available this summer
- Still checking on Sustainable Firewood Bank Models - Kevin
- Yet to hear possible Vt. Community Foundation grant - Kevin / Susie
- Conservation Committee surveying ash trees on Town road easements, possible removal - Ned

- Craftsbury Library Solar & Battery Project - Vince & Ned

- Close to completion. Finding out how to apply for a 30 percent rebate from the Fed. Govt.
- Library planning a celebration and recognition later this summer.

- Municipal Energy Resilience Program (MERP) - [FAQ](#) - Craig

- We will receive the non-competitive \$4000 Grant - A recommendation to use funds to follow up on details not covered by the main grant funds. Do not need to spend it for a few years.

- Window Insert Program

- 29 homes measured, possibly 12 more to go. 170 Inserts at this time
- Yet to hear about application for NEGEF Grow Grant - Christina
- Albany is interested in a Window Insert media blurb - Alan?/Kevin?
- Yet to hear about an application for a Vt. Community Foundation Grant - Kevin/Susie
- Waiting to see our free insert needs for a possible 2023 Energize Vermont grant - Alan
- 3-Town Insert Workshop set for 10 Days, Mon. 10/23 - Thur. 11/1 Two sets of jigs for one week.

- Energy Committee Mission Statement - Alan & Christina

- Input on a couple changes. Will present again in June.

- GM Free EV Chargers - Craig

- Potential [Sustainable Energy Fair](#) - Consensus to have it, but need a Coordinator

- [\\$1000 Grant from VEC](#) possibility Talked about potentially applying for funds for a Thermal Heat Detecting device, Firewood delivery, and subsidizing free inserts in the VEC utility area.

- Status/ effects of the [Affordable Heat Act](#) - Review by the state could go into next year.

- Emphasis now is to install Heat Pumps before Weatherizing.

Next scheduled Energy Committee Meeting Thursday, 6/15/23, 7 pm.