

Craftsbury Energy Committee
Minutes: Nov. 21, 2013

Attending: Amelia Fritz, Ned Houston, Kevin Gregoire and Lisa Sammet

Meeting started at 7:07 PM

1. Discussion of solar energy credits. Barb Mutrux had e-mailed concerns about how the credits are accumulated.
2. **VERMONTIVATE:** At our next meeting, Thursday, Dec. 19, 2013 at 7 pm at The Art House
 - We'll have door prizes including coupons for free energy kits from Efficiency Vermont
 - Invite people from the whole region. Vermontivate would like all area towns to form teams
 - Make up teams
 - Amelia will get info to Nancy Nottermann and Erika Karp
 - Lisa already posted on Town calendar, Front Porch Forum (Craftsbury & Hardwick) and the Hardwick Chamber calendar. Will do press releases and poster beginning of December.
 - Personal invitations: invite people who can represent organizations:
 - Ned will contact Adrian Owens for Sterling and Steve Welby from the Outdoor Center
 - Amelia will contact the Church, Tim Patterson and Jim Flint (Wonder & Wisdom)
 - Kevin will contact Isaac and Melissa for Pete's Greens
 - Lisa will contact Mary Gagnon (Transition Towns and the Think Tank)
 - Each of us should bring something for refreshments: cookies, cheese, crackers, fruit**
3. Recycling Shed outreach to be discontinued until we have something new to talk about
4. Alan Parker and Church and Community Supper
 - Interested in discussion with the Church and supper group about getting info out to people at the supper
 - Leave a few flyers at each table
 - Get permission to show a film or do a program at the church after supper so people can go right from Supper to the program
5. Solar Electric on Town Garage
 - Efficiency of panels has gone up, incentives are down, costs of panels down
 - Kevin is going to pursue getting estimates that can then be presented to the Select Board to be put on The warning for Town Meeting to allocate money to install a solar system
 - Town uses 33,000 kwh/year
 - Town could go with a 10,000kwh system to take advantage of incentives
 - Better to set up with a bigger inverter to anticipate expansion
 - May have to get 3 phase lines into town
 - Enough space on main garage for 25,000 kwh
6. PACE- open enrollment happening.
 - Write up brochure to put in with the 2014 Tax Bills
 - Find paperwork that Town Clerk needs to sign for us to start
7. See if we can get onto the Select Board agenda to talk about the solar system for Town Garage and PACE
8. Solar Hot Water Systems: Michal Gulick, an installer, is willing to do an info session, perhaps in spring
9. January: Put on a film (Lisa will look for some choices- check Gagnons Video and online)
10. Kevin, Amelia, Ned and Lisa all signed up to attend the VECAN (Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network) Conference on Sat. Dec. 7 at Lake Morey.

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Meeting adjourned at 9 PM

Submitted by Lisa Sammet, Secretary