

Bristol Energy Committee Minutes

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 zoom meeting

Members present: Richard Butz, Sally Burrell

Community member: Jim Quaglino

1. Bristol Community Solar is now about 45% committed. Outreach has expanded and a number of businesses and institutions are interested. It's hard to know if the subscriptions will fill up soon or continue at a gradual pace. Info about the project can be found at acornenergycoop.com

2. Insulating Window Inserts (Window Dressers) - Bristol, New Haven and Lincoln are working together toward a building workshop in early November. Promotion starts now with educating people about the nonprofit program. Residents and businesses sign up and then will meet with measurers this summer to discuss which windows are best suited for inserts and to take laser measurements. Share on energy committee webpage:

Photos: <https://energizevermont.org/the-window-project>

Video showing the workshop: <https://vimeo.com/300353941>

Contact maggieeaton@me.com to sign up.

3. Residential Building Energy Standards - The VT Dept of Public Service gave a webinar on the 2020 energy code for contractors to use in building homes. The RBES help encourage more efficient buildings, which save residents money and maintain better housing stock over time. Sally will check with the energy committee's liaison to determine ways we can coordinate sharing info and supporting compliance along with zoning and Town clerk's office.

4. Harvest Fest, Sept 25 - We're signed up to have a table and tent on the green to share educational materials, offer Q&A about efficiency, renewable energy, electric vehicles, electric lawn care tools, insulating window inserts, conservation strategies, residential building energy standards, etc.

5. Mow Electric Campaign - momentum is building with the help of GMP incentives and as folks share their experience. Continue sharing FPF testimony and incentives. Info at mowelectric.org

6. Climate Economy Action Center of Addison County collaborates with ACORN to publish "LiveGreenVT: Champlain Valley Climate and Renewable Energy Guide" (LiveGreenVT.org). It is a resource of businesses and organizations with an aim for reduction in Greenhouse gasses. They offer climate friendly activities and products. Share on FPF and BEC webpage.

Next meeting: July 21