

Bristol Energy Committee
BEC_Jan 19_2022 Minutes

A. BEC members present: Sally Burrell, Mike Corey, Carl Engvall, Richard Butz, and newly welcomed, Ben Skolozdra

Visitors: Jim Quagliano, Sarah Sweeny

B. Review BEC Mission and Enhanced Energy Plan goals - Sally reviewed the plan as it applied to the Energy Committee:

- Essentially it is designed to assist the town in meeting its share of Vermont energy goals
- We have not been meeting transportation goals: reduce vehicle miles traveled, reduce oil and gas usage, and create a walkable town safe for people and bicycles. No-idle regulation, Get EV charging stations.
- Consider equity in all projects

C. Identify and discuss projects already initiated or anticipated:

- Library audit, heating and weatherization upgrades. State programs to make VT municipal buildings more energy efficient are being rolled out - H. 558 bears watching.
- EV Charging Stations: GMP offers a \$750/port rebate, Sally, Richard and Patrick (UVM Intern) will pursue estimates and funding sources to present to the Select Board.
- Window Dressers: Sally will talk to Maggie regarding teaming up with Middlebury. (We don't know if Bristol has the capacity to do it alone again.) We'll discuss again at the February meeting.

D. Other potential projects:

- Carl suggested an Energy fair and said Tri-Valley Transit has a good presentation that could be part of it. An expanded Harvest Festival presence might also be an option.
- Energy Committee members are urged to review the Enhanced Energy Plan before the February meeting.

E. UVM student intern and possible projects:

1. Create an energy and climate survey.
2. Work on procuring an EV charging station.
3. Conduct a survey of town businesses regarding installation of Window dresser storm window inserts in their front windows.
4. Survey apartment renters to see what their window insert needs are and then give us a list of landlords to contact.

Next Meeting: February 16, at 7:00pm via Zoom

