

Minutes

Town Of Marlboro Energy Committee Meeting

Monday, July 3, 2023, 6:00pm

Attendees (in-person & via Zoom): Kate Kirkwood, Erika Korb, Robin MacArthur, Ryan Williams, Tamara Stenn

Call to Order @ 6:05p

Identify Any Changes To Agenda: None

Robin moved to accept the last meeting's minutes. Tamara seconded. Minutes were accepted.

Marlboro Community Center Coffee Hour Meet and Greet: A discussion was had about the Marlboro Community Center Coffee Hour Meet and Greet. Kate shared her notes about the event, noting the good turn out and the enthusiastic conversation about the shortage of labor force to to install and service energy efficient products and technology. Some ideas were generated about how our committee and town might help support the development of this labor force in our community. Dan Mcarthur volunteered to reach out to the new MES principal and will start a conversation about how to support this effort at the grade school level. Hatch Space was suggested as a potential collaborator in this effort.

It was noted that at future such meetings we should send around a sign up sheet for contact info.

Kate will attend the conservation committee meeting on Wed July 5, at 6:00 pm. They are putting us on the agenda. If anyone else would like to attend they are welcome to. In person at the town office at 6:00 pm

Kate will host an in person option at the town office and we will evaluate the need for in person meetings after a few months.

The committee shared information about Window Dressers. Jonathan Morse shared information about SEON. Barbara Cole suggested we be sure to have children's activities at the Fair. Theo Anagnastaras offered to bring his Demo Hydraulic Water Wheel to the Fair and shared about past efforts to get Hydro Power in Marlboro. Dan MacArthur shared his opinion that weatherization and buttoning up older houses should be a priority. Tamara shared information about power wall, e-bikes and Brattleboro Time Trade. This is not an exhaustive list of the conversations and ideas discussed.

Marlboro Energy Fair, October 28th from 10-2:

Tamara emailed Eilzabeth Sawin from the Multisolving Institute again sharing that we may have funds available for a speakers fee.

The committee agreed to add potential vendors to the spreadsheet that Robin has created for the fair and to sign up for who to contact from this list by August 10th.

A discussion about having a raffle was had. It was agreed that this feels like a low priority at this time and will not be pursued. The idea of having give-away was discussed and will be pursued further.

Kate will ask Nick to update the town website with the new zoom link and announcement about in person meetings.

Ryan is working on the poster and the number of posters to be printed was discussed. He will print about 25 posters, 100 quarter sized poster and potential 1 large poster to be posted at the community center and displayed at the Marlboro Fair Energy Committee Table.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 7 @ 6- 7:30 pm via zoom and in-person Moving forward we will use the following zoom link for meetings <http://www.zoom.us/j/6037814304>

Adjourn @ 7:00pm