

Minutes

Town Of Marlboro Energy Committee Meeting

Monday, December 4, 2023, 6:00pmAttendees (in-person & via Zoom): Kate Kirkwood, Erika Korb, Robin MacArthur, Ryan Williams.

Call to Order @ 6:08 pm

Identify Any Changes To Agenda: None

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

Marlboro Energy Fair Debrief:

Folks shared positive feedback they have heard.

What went well: Loved having it extend outdoors, having community partners involved, the e-cars and bikes were a hit, Efficiency Vermont as a vendor, Rich Earth Institute, Cider, Cold Flame Mechanical, having kids involved, cider, music.

What would we do differently: Have a sign up sheet to ask folks if they would like to be on communications, number name tags to easily count number of attendees, have a pee-cycle potty there, have a book club, have a rain plan for what goes in the town house, potentially have it earlier in the fall maybe, next event to have more depth, speaker, workshop, book club.

Next Energy Committee Ideas:

Pursue Community Solar- Gary MacArthur has offered assistance with this endeavor. MES soccer field could be an option if MES moved to Potash Hill. Tamara could reach out to Kim Freedman and Steven Dotson to talk to us about other broader community efforts. Robin suggested that we have a community meeting to discuss the prospect of looking into community solar. Robin will invite Gary MacArthur.

Work more with Window Dressers in the Spring. Tamara will reach out to them to see about further collaboration. Robin suggested that Window Dressers be invited to a community center Saturday morning "coffee talk."

Promote ADU funding information. Perhaps invite Jason Van Ness or others (Windham and Windsor Housing) to get more information about the grants.

<https://accd.vermont.gov/adu>

<https://www.homemattershere.org/rental-rehab/>

Look into combining weatherization with lead abatement to apply for a grant. Kate will reach out to Director Josh Davis at SEVCA. www.sevca.org

Other Business:

Kate is pursuing a bill for use of the Community Center for the use for the energy fair.

The town would like the energy committee to write a summary of the event. Robin will write it up and email it to Nick.

If any committee members have receipts to submit for the energy fair please submit them to Kate within the next week for reimbursement.

Kate is working on looking into writing a grant for solar panels for the town garage.

Ryan will ask Arabella to come to one of our meetings to collaborate and support the MES Environmental Club.

Ryan will reach out to Tim Seager about collaborating with the planning committee.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 15th @ 6- 7:30 pm via zoom We will use the following zoom link for meetings <http://www.zoom.us/j/6037814304> **Adjourn @ 7:30 pm**