

Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2013

7:00 – 8:40 PM

Town Hall

Attending: Gerald, Rebecca, Catherine, Kestrel, Jen, Bill, David

- The minutes of our last meeting, July 10, were reviewed and approved.

- Way to Go promotion
 - Put the Go Vermont! Logo on the town website with a hotlink. Catherine will follow up with Suzy.
 - Jen will follow up with Deb to send us information sufficient to craft an article for the newspaper announcing the program and encouraging people to sign up.
 - We will continue to put up posters and place brochures around town. Deb gave us three posters: Suzy Spear St corner store, and Rebecca will put one in the library with brochures and follow up with Deb to send more posters for other public places (school, Senior Center, Brick Store.)
 - Safe Routes to School—some parents are working on that for CCS.
 - Catherine wants the train to do better job of promoting itself.
 - Zimride—Jen will follow up with Deb about putting all Charlotters who are signed up on Zimride into a raffle drawing for the SkiRack bike tune-up gift certificate. Rebecca to see if Ski Rack would extend date through which it's valid. (It will.) Will need to promote and set date for drawing. We can then write

an article for the paper on the winner. Set date accordingly for raffle drawing.

- Energy use index for Town Hall; current weather normalized EUI is 64.7 kBTU/sf/yr. We were at 92.2 kBTU/sf/yr in 2010. Serious success story. But we'd like to continue to drive the EUI down. One area is to turn off unneeded machines, i.e., computers, copiers. Could get a timer with a battery backup. Kestrel is going to get the meter from the library and during the next meeting we'll gauge how much we'd save for a timer on copiers. Jen to look into obtaining smart meter data so we can estimate nighttime and weekend loads. We took a walk-through of the offices and discovered many computers, calculators, printers, etc. on that definitely could be turned off when not in use. Catherine will ask Dean who's in charge of computers so we can identify opportunities to shut unneeded systems down.
- Nomination of our town hall energy efficiency project for the VECAN project award. Jen will submit our application.
- Library: Catherine reported on mtg with Bonnie Christy, went over proposal from Bill to find out global problem with system. The board rejected it, doesn't think they need to do it. Jen and Catherine will go to October board meeting and try again to convince them to do it. Catherine will ask Winslow to come to that meeting. Library uses 28.3 kBTU/sf/yr.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Foster