

## Craftsbury Energy Committee

Minutes: 1-17-13

Attending: Amelia Fritz, Ned Houston, Mabel Houghton, Erica Karp, Nancy Nottermann, Peter Romans, Kevin Gregoire, Lisa Sammet

Meeting began at 7:15 pm.

### 1. Discussion of Efficiency Vermont's Home Energy Challenge

- Peter and Nancy Nottermann attended the training
- Aim: to promote thermal efficiency in buildings
- Year long challenge
- Already 50 towns signed up (including Craftsbury)
- Jackie Cassino is the coordinator for our area
- There will be more future trainings including a brainstorming session at the Central VT Regional Planning office in Montpelier Thursday, Jan. 24.
- Tues. Jan. 29 there will be a weatherization webinar by VNRC (VT Natural Resources Council). More information can be found at:  
[http://www.encyvermont.com/for\\_our\\_partners/community\\_partners/residential/town-participation.aspx](http://www.encyvermont.com/for_our_partners/community_partners/residential/town-participation.aspx) or contact Joanna Miller at VNRC – [jmiller@vnrc.org](mailto:jmiller@vnrc.org)
- **• Tuesday 1/29** Time to be confirmed Home Weatherization Challenge Webinar
- ➤ Contact Johanna Miller at VNRC ([jmiller@vnrc.org](mailto:jmiller@vnrc.org)) with any questions
- **• Saturday 2/2** Time to be confirmed Home Energy Makeover Trailer Energy Education & **Training; Twinfield School in Marshfield**
- ➤ Space is limited
- ➤ The training can help prepare volunteers for Home Energy Walk-Through
- ➤ This event is being organized by the Marshfield Energy Committee, contact Rich Phillips at [krphil@myfairpoint.net](mailto:krphil@myfairpoint.net) to register or for more information
- **• Tuesday 2/5 5-9pm Home Weatherization Challenge Turn-Key Programs Training, Location to be announced**
- ➤ Round up the troops! Food will be provided!
- ➤ Trainings are for community volunteers who will be involved in some way, shape, or form in reaching out to other community members directly.
- ➤ The basic agenda will cover:
  - ○ Overview of the VT Home Energy Challenge
  - ○ Building Science 101
  - ○ Home Performance with ENERGY STAR program/ VT Gas Systems
  - ○ Overall Message to Community Members
  - ○ Conducting a Home Energy Visit
  - ○ Conducting Door-to-Door/Phone-a-Thons
  - ○ Logistical Issues
- ➤ You will be receiving a formal invitation sometime next week. We will ask you to RSVP for this event.
- **• Saturday 2/9 From 9am-3pm Home Energy Makeover Trailer Energy Education & Training; CVRPC Offices 29 Main Street Suite 4 Montpelier, VT (above the Rite Aide)**
- ➤ Space is limited
- ➤ If you have not already confirmed your attendance, please contact Jackie Cassino (229-0389) to confirm
- ➤ Morning snacks and lunch will be provided

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2. Community Outreach:

- Third Wednesdays the committee is having a film or speaker after the community dinner at the Craftsbury United Church on the common. Jan. 16 the film *A Convenient truth: Urban solutions from Curitiba, Brazil*. 20 people attended the film.
- Next outreach will be Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> after the community dinner (which starts at 6 pm). Members are going to see if we can get some local speakers on weatherization.

3. Brochure about the CEC (Craftsbury Energy Committee) to be made before town meeting with info about the committee and info on our thermal challenge.

4. The committee is still thinking about PAREI: the Plymouth, NH Solar Hot Water community-wide initiative. See [www.plymouthenergy.org](http://www.plymouthenergy.org)

5. No further work has been done on the NEGREF grant (New England Grassroots Environmental Fund).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Lisa Sammet, Secretary