

Craftsbury Energy Committee Minutes 2018-03-15

Attending: Amelia Fritz, Mabel Houghton, Jim Flint, Kevin Gregoire, Lisa Sammet and new members Fern Steficek (Sterling College), Isaac Jacobs and Peggy Sapphire

Guests: Skye Livingston (WonderArts), Katie Black (Craftsbury Outdoor Center - COC)

1. CEC (Craftsbury Energy Committee) 10th Anniversary planning
 - a. Co-sponsor with WonderArts
 - b. Date: May 20, 2018
 - c. Time: 12:00 noon until
 - d. Logistics:
 - i. Park at recycling and hike from Craftsbury Solar system to the Greenspace
 - ii. Food: potluck, bring food to recycling and some people can drive it over
 - iii. Have a fire?
 - iv. Music
 - v. Scale?
 - vi. Have a wild plant walk led by Eva Dannenberg Alexander representing the COC
 - vii. Send some of the Green Racing Team from COC to help with trail building, clean-up, games
 - viii. Jim Flint and Sky Livingston will work together on logistics**
2. Earth Day April 22
 - a. Sterling College has small event planned
 - b. Have a speaker?
 - c. Do something hands-on?
 - d. Skye, Kevin and Fern will work on this
3. Town Meeting Review
 - a. Town voted with good margin to use the Good Neighbor Fund for weatherization projects on Town Garage Buildings
 - b. Did new member outreach
 - c. Had drawing for energy efficiency give-aways
4. Programming: Mabel and Kevin
 - a. Wed. March 21 film "Happy" after community supper
 - b. April Earth Day events
 - c. May 16 hope to have Efficiency VT, some solar installers and the Heat Squad from Rutland which is offering low-income home energy audits
 - d. Home tours
 - i. Dylan Kinsey in April
 - ii. Richardson house later
 - iii. Vermod tour with Lamoille Housing Partnership (LHP) is up in the air. They might have a model in Newport in September
 - iv. LHP is upgrading its apartments in Hardiwck- might be a good tour
5. Town Emergency Plan: Lisa will research this
 - a. Make it public
 - b. Activate neighborhood groups
 - c. Who is the Town Emergency Officer?
 - d. Contact Select Board
 - e. Get a copy of Plainfield, Vermont's emergency plan
6. Potential Projects
 - a. Energy and Climate Change games: Lisa and Peggy will research, looking to do something in the fall
 - b. Community Pollinator Gardening Challenge- Amelia will look into this
 - i. Get seeds (High Mowing donation?) and encourage people to plant them

- ii. Amelia has already contacted the VT Extension in Morrisville who gave her contacts to pursue
 - iii. Greenspace gardens could be designed as pollinator gardens
 - iv. Put out idea on Front Porch Forum to encourage people to plant pollinator gardens
 - v. Have tour of the gardens later in summer/fall
 - c. Seed saving workshop (Fern)
 - d. Meet and Greet for hunters, fishermen and land conservationists (COC?)
 - e. We should contact COC for more collaborations
7. Use Front Porch Forum (FPF) to post all events
- a. Go to FPF, click on CALENDAR, Click on ADD EVENT
 - b. Can add events far into the future
 - c. Good to encourage all groups to post all their events on FPF since it already exists

Next meeting Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 7 PM at the Craftsbury Public Library

Minutes submitted by Lisa Sammet