

Minutes

5/3/10 DEC meeting

Attending: Sam, Bob, Bill, Alex, Diana, Suzanne, Chris, Jerelyn

Guests: none

Absent: none

Diana to write press release for Reformer on the grant we received from Ben and Jerry's

1. Minutes from 4/5/10

Suzanne moved and Sam seconded – minutes approved unanimously

Jerelyn to email them to Bob

2. No-idling signage update - Chris

Chris take a sample of sign around to property owners; Sam and Bill to help;

3. Report on figures from Dummerston School for feasibility of wood chip boiler

All figures are "ballpark"

1. Rick Walsh, the custodian estimates around 15K gallons of fuel oil per year
2. Rough square footage of the building(s) is 32,400 sq.ft.
3. Wayne Bailey, the plumbing contractor for the boilers, estimates that considerable savings on fuel oil would be achieved if one of the boilers (circa 1974) were replaced with either one or two smaller units. The fuel savings alone would contribute heavily to pay back of new boiler cost. Of the two boilers, the newer one is 1994. When the temp is above 30 the older one operates, when below 30 both operate.
4. Rick mentioned the idea of new oil boilers in the event that a wood chip system would be unfeasible.

Alex to send message to Veissman (wood chip boilers) for an informal quote

Bill to find out capacity and efficiency ratings and let Alex know

Sam went to most recent school board meeting

4. Town Plan

Hearing on Tuesday, 5/4, 7 pm

Energy section is not the contentious section, but the whole plan is at risk because of the land use chapter

What is the 2009 baseline?

Diana ask Zeke to change 2009 to 2010 in the draft Town plan

A. Heating and electric

CVPS and GMP could provide aggregated information – electric, Kwh/year; Windham Regional may have this data; try to get data from the various oil companies – fuel oil, gallons (rough estimate of number of homes, dig up actual data); propane companies, gallons; Wood, cords

B. Vehicle energy use – this is going to be an estimate

Alex to create chart to show what data needs to be entered

Jerelyn to call Fred Taylor who teaches the research methods at CCV for a possible intern to collect data

Policy 1.1 Energy conservation for town properties, facilities, and vehicles

Town facilities

Lighting retrofit in town office, town garage, covered bridge

Data exists

Grant applications that did not get funded

Replaced wood stove

Tarif for LED light in W. Dummerston

School – did a bunch of work on the original audit (exit signs, open vent)

Walk through school

Moving forward – energy conservation

Town vehicle – some kind of effort

Chris to talk to Lee and then we will consider inviting him to a meeting

How many gallons a year

How much driving doesn't need a truck

Routes – meeting with Lee Chamberlain

\$40K for diesel; need to collect gallons;

Town Garage and Office – improve performance

Possibility of Energy committee collecting emails of people who want REST OF THIS THOUGHT?

Think about when tax bill goes out and include something - AUGUST

NOTE:

Include Policy 1.2 in June agenda; make sure we are all looking at the same document at the next meeting

Meeting adjourned 7:12 pm