Craftsbury Energy Committee

Meeting Notes for Thursday, August 21, 2025, Craftsbury Town Hall

Present: Kevin Gregoire, Bill Day, Alan Turnbull, Jamie Milholland, Ned Houston
Present on Zoom: Seth Bond

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Minutes for the June meeting were approved as written.

Agenda Items

1. MERP Town Hall Project (Jamie reporting)
   - On Tuesday the Select Board approved Peters Construction to do the excavation and concrete work on Town Hall. Estimated start 9/15; forms will be built and cement poured toward the end of September.
   - New England Spray Foam from St. Johnsbury will do the spray foam and cellulose. The cellulose blowing could start as early as October. The cellulose can be done at any time regardless of progress on the other work.
   - Committee members (Craig and Jamie) will do the vapor barrier.
   - Decisions have to be made about routing the drainage.
   - HVAC: The project is too small and remote for the big contractors. Bill Chidsey is a candidate to be the HVAC contractor. There are lots of questions around equipment selection due to evolving refrigerants.
   - Prep work still to be done:
     - Move the LP tanks (must be done for excavation to happen).
     - Oil tank emptied and removed. Removal requires a permit.
     - Remove leaky water heater and install undersink replacement.
     - Air seal the attic hatch.
     - Remove and replace the water tank.

2. Window Inserts (Kevin)
   - 29 households have been measured for 193 inserts.
   - 7 more households have expressed interest but many are not responding. Kevin, Ned, and Alan will take care of the last of the measuring.
   - Deadline for measurements and payments to Window Dressers is 9/26.

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- The four towns involved in our build will meet on Zoom in late September to discuss procedures and logistics. Kevin will send out details for members who want to participate.

3. Community Firewood (Kevin)
   - Stirling College Work Day is 9/5. Kevin will be away and no one else is available so we will not offer firewood processing work to Sterling. We will organize a firewood processing day for the general public on a Saturday later in September.
   - $1,100 has been donated for a firewood shed in response to the July 18 firewood theft.
   - Liz Steele emailed Kevin with a description and possible license plate of a truck matching the description of the truck seen on Dustan Field at the time of the theft. Kevin will relay that information to the Sherriff's office.

4. Next Meeting
   - Thursday, September 18, 7:00pm, Craftsbury Town Hall and on Zoom

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Notes submitted by Bill Day

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