

Draft Meeting Minutes
Dummerston Energy Committee
Monday, March 6, 2017 6 pm
Dummerston Town Office

Meeting came to order at 6:23pm, Alex, Stanley and Julien were in attendance at the start of the meeting.

1. Review agenda, add items as needed

2. Welcome Eric Lineback as a new DEC member

- Eric was not able to attend the meeting as he was unexpectedly detained by vehicle trouble. We look forward to welcoming him at our next meeting.

3. Approve minutes from February 6, 2017 meeting

- Stanley made a motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Julien seconded the motion. There were no comments or additions. All were in favor.

4. Report on WRC meeting on meeting Vermont's 2050 energy goals –Alex

- Alex attended in mid-February, the subject of the meeting was about achieving the 90% of energy use from renewable sources by 2050. May be potential to learn a bit more about the actions that the state is taking over time, Alex is now on the email list serve for that group.

5. Work session on Energy Chapter of Town Plan

Discussion of specific goals

- *Quantitative state goals from Comprehensive Energy Plan (CEP) are as follows:*
- **Reduce total energy consumption per capita by 15% by 2025, and by more than one third by 2050.**

- Meet 25% of the remaining energy need from renewable sources by 2025, 40% by 2035, and 90% by 2050.
- Three end-use sector goals for 2025: 10% renewable transportation, 30% renewable buildings, and 67% renewable electric power.

- We updated our second goal to better align with the State goals. Alex suggested that we change the wording of that goal to the following: "Goal 2: Renewable electricity generation in Dummerston, irrespective of Renewable Energy Credits (REC's), will equal at least 25% of town-wide electricity consumption by 2025 and 40% by 2035". Stan is going to remove all of the track changes and circulate that new document for us all to review.

6. New members for DEC – open brainstorm

- Julien will be resigning from the committee in June of this year as he is moving out of state. There was general discussion about potential new members for the committee.

7. Discussion of 2017 priorities for the Energy Committee (see 2016 priorities below)

- Alex felt that we did not need to have a DEC retreat for 2017.
- The committee will discuss any changes to the DEC priorities at our April meeting.

8. Adjourn

- Julien moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm, all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19.

2016 Priorities for Energy Committee

Dummerston School Energy Consumption REDUCTION

Dummerston energy consumption – benchmarking

Continue with benchmarking 2010 energy consumption in town

Continually Seek data from fuel providers

Continue charting and trending that data if we can normalize it

Further evaluating and making use of survey results

DEC mission statement: The committee supports the town in monitoring locally important energy issues and developments, and promoting energy conservation, efficiency, and increased use of renewable resources. Using education, projects, and advocacy, the DEC will help Dummerston and its residents reduce their reliance on polluting forms of energy and achieve reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

Energy goal in Town Plan: To reduce total per-capita non-renewable energy consumption 40% by 2030 from a 2010 baseline