

**Minutes  
Dummerston Energy Committee  
Monday, June 7, 2021 @ 6pm  
Online via Zoom**

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:05pm:
  - a. Eric Lineback, Calvin Farwell and Alex Wilson were in attendance.
2. Welcomed guests: No guests were present.
3. Reviewed agenda: No new items.
4. Approved minutes from the May 3, 2021 meeting:
  - a. Motioned by Alex; seconded by Eric; unanimously approved.
5. West Dummerston Fire Department (WDFD):
  - a. Eric has been in touch with Chief Rick Looman, who inquired about getting help with some of the improvements we recommended. Eric has asked them to present a plan and budget.
6. Covered bridge lights:
  - a. Calvin updated us on his continuing research.
  - b. We further discussed funding options and expect to coordinate with the Selectboard to include a funding request in the town's 2022/2023 budget.
  - c. ACTION: Calvin will continue gathering specs and cost info for several good/better/best options, including motion and dimming options.
  - d. ACTION: Alex will reach out to his contact at Philips Lighting (who donated the original existing equipment) to see if they are willing to do so again.
7. Global Warming Solutions Act (Act 153) Climate Council and Climate Action Plan:
  - a. Calvin reached out to Chris Campamy at the WRC and got a brief update on the Council's progress.

- b. There is no policy established yet; only functional work has been done to date.
- 8. Vermont state budget: Funding for climate and renewable energy programs:
  - a. We discussed the potential for support of various statewide climate initiatives in the state budget.
  - b. There is a particular interest in support for EVs and e-bikes; we will consider submitting an article to the *Views of Dummerston* about that.
  - c. How can we find out how many EVs there currently are in Dummerston?
- 9. "Mow Electric!" Campaign:
  - a. Eric briefed the committee on the campaign to convert yard care equipment from gas to electric power.
  - b. Commercial adoption is key; we should inquire with the Brattleboro Country Club to see what their plans are.
- 10. Potential new DEC member:
  - a. No update at this time.
- 11. New business: No new business.
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm. Next meeting will be held on August 9, 2021 at 6:00pm at the town office.