

**Minutes
Dummerston Energy Committee
Monday, January 3, 2022 @ 6pm
Dummerston Town Office and Zoom**

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:09pm:
 - a. Eric Lineback, Calvin Farwell, Doug Morton, and Alex Wilson were in attendance.
2. Welcomed guests: No guests present.
3. Reviewed agenda: Added WRC energy committee gathering (see #10).
4. Approved minutes from the December 6, 2021 meeting:
 - a. Motioned by Alex; seconded by Doug; unanimously approved.
5. Covered bridge lights:
 - a. We were able to get 10 new lights donated to the town; thank you to Alex Wilson for initiating and pursuing this, and to Philips Gardco for donating the fixtures with a value of at least \$6,000.
 - b. ACTION: Eric will let the SB know and reach out to Smokey about installation.
 - c. Eric again pointed out that 8 interior lights may not really be necessary; perhaps 6 or 4 would be fine? The others could be used as future replacements to failed fixtures; however, it was determined that the best use would be to install 8 new interior lights and leave the existing gable lights (which are working fine). That leaves 2 fixtures for back-ups.
6. Federal infrastructure bill – what does it mean for Vermont?:
 - a. ACTION: Doug will continue to research the impacts and implications of this legislation.

- b. The big question: What funds will come to Dummerston, and how should those funds be prioritized? Will the funding be needs-based?
- 7. Draft 2022 Comprehensive Energy Plan (PSD):
 - a. Eric provided updates, including that the comment period had closed on 12/20/22 and the final plan is expected by the end of the month.
- 8. Annual VECAN Conference (December 4-9):
 - a. There were no updates.
- 9. Electric vehicles (EVs) and eBikes:
 - a. We discussed the project, promotions and updates; we will work on developing the Ambassador program details; we need to figure out the number of EVs in Dummerston.
 - b. ACTION: Doug will continue his research.
 - c. ACTION: Eric will reach out to Kevin about the project and expected website needs; he will also reach out to Laurie about alerting residents and seeking their assistance and participation.
- 10. WRC energy committee gathering:
 - a. Eric provided an update on this upcoming event (on 1/13/22).
- 11. New business: No new business.
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm. Next meeting will be held on February 7, 2022 at 6:00pm at the town office and via Zoom.