Minutes Dummerston Energy Committee Monday, February 7, 2022 @ 6pm Online via Zoom

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 6:13pm:
 - a. Eric Lineback, Calvin Farwell, Doug Morton (arrived late), and Alex Wilson were in attendance.
- 2. Welcomed guests: No guests present.
- 3. Reviewed agenda: No new items.
- 4. Approved minutes from the January 3, 2022 meeting:
 - a. Motioned by Alex; seconded by Eric; unanimously approved.
- 5. Covered bridge lights:
 - a. Alex got an update from Philips Gardco; the new donated lights will be shipped on approximately April 19.
 - b. We will plan for installation towards the end of April or beginning of May, and will coordinate with Laurie and the town office accordingly.
- 6. Federal infrastructure bill what does it mean for Vermont and Dummerston?:
 - a. ACTION: Doug will continue to research the impacts and implications of this legislation; he will also reach out to the Selectboard to ask about their plans and process.
 - b. The big question: What funds will come to Dummerston, and how should those funds be prioritized? Will the funding be needs-based?

c. Possible projects: Community septic system for West Dummerston Village; development of a local EV database and resource center; installation of EV charging stations?

7. Electric vehicles (EVs) and eBikes:

- a. We discussed updates; we will continue working to develop the Buyer's Guide and Ambassador program; we need to figure out the number of EVs in Dummerston.
- ACTION: Eric and Doug will coordinate with Kevin about the project and expected website needs.
- 8. VNRC Climate Action and Resilience in Vermont Webinar Series:
 - a. Eric provided an update on this online series.
- 9. VECAN 2022 Workshop Series:
 - a. Eric provided an update on this online series.
- 10. Transportation Innovation Act (H.552):
 - a. Eric provided an update on this important pending legislation; we will continue to monitor its progress.

11. New business:

- a. Calvin provided an update on some recent exciting advancements in fusion energy; perhaps this will be a viable source of clean energy within a decade or so?
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm. Next meeting will be held on March 7, 2022 at 6:00pm via Zoom.