

Minutes
Dummerston Energy Committee
Monday, December 4, 2017 @ 6pm
Dummerston Town Office

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:15pm: Peter, Alex, Eric and Smokey were present.
2. Welcome Guests: Catie Berg stopped by before the meeting with a message from Transition Dummerston about the 350VT movement's town petition.
3. Review Agenda: Added item for 350VT movement petition per Catie Berg.
4. Peter moved to approve minutes from November 6, 2017 meeting; Smokey seconded; unanimously approved.
5. Reviewed an email about the Dummerston "No-Idling" resolution from a concerned citizen regarding 3 idlers at a local business: Alex will contact the business about the resolution and ask if they would allow a sign to be placed there; Eric will check with Chris Derby to see where we got the signs and possibly order more.
6. Portfolio Manager for municipal buildings: Eric has completed the share; Will is set up as a contact but still needs to complete the process; others still need to connect.
7. DEC Website: Eric provided an update; more links and ideas are needed; other ideas discussed; Peter will compile and send his recommended links.
8. DEC Email Forwarding: Eric and Smokey are the only ones receiving these emails; Alex and Peter do not want to be added; Will still undetermined?
9. Energy Chapter of Town Plan: Eric provided an update; the version on the town website is from late 2016; Eric will follow up with Sam; the next meeting regarding the plan is tomorrow and Eric will try to attend.
10. Sustainable Home Tour: Alex provided a follow-up report; both Peter and Alex had houses on the tour; there was a good turnout of 20-30 people.
11. Solar in Town: Smokey will send an email to people to see if they may be interested in adding anonymous photos of their arrays to our website.
12. Covered Bridge LED Lights: Smokey created a report for the town selectboard; one caveat will be added about the future of GE lighting, and then he will forward it to the board.
13. New Vermont Wind Energy Rules: Peter will draft a position paper from DEC.
<https://www.vpirg.org/issues/clean-energy/wind-sound-rules-approved-by-lcar/>
14. DEC Report for 2017 Town Report: Alex will create a draft and Eric will review (December 1 due date has passed).

15. WRC Solicitation Regarding Act 174: We have missed the time frame to be one of the three towns to get funding, but the Windham Regional Commission would still be glad to help. There was a related article in the *Brattleboro Reformer* today; there will be meetings on Jan 10 and 12 in Townshend and Jamaica. DEC will try to have someone attend.
16. Vermont Youth Climate Summit (December 1 @ UVM): Peter contacted BUHS, and they were aware of the Summit. Not sure if they actually participated or not.
<https://vermontyouthclimatesummit.weebly.com/about.html>
17. Next Big Project: We discussed solar/hemp and electric vehicles project ideas.
18. 350VT Movement: We agreed to read the document provided by Catie and assist Transition Dummerston, as long as they take the lead on it.
19. Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.