

Meeting of the Norwich Energy Committee Tuesday, 11/22, 7 pm, Tracy Hall

Attending: Linda Gray, Suzanne Leiter

Guests: Bill Chidsey (visiting from Newport), Neil Fulton

- the EV charging station installation is complete and the initial software problems are resolved. Discussion of dates and details for a "grand opening"; agreement to target Saturday, 12/10, midday, with a ribbon cutting, hot chocolate/cider, and an EV "show and tell". Linda will contact Norwich EV owners, Dan Fraser at Dan & Whit's, interim town manager, and Norwich Technologies and Solaflect (who supported the project). The NEC will do a press release highlighting the EVCS and other work on solar, weatherization, the municipal facilities being fully solar in its electric, and the public safety building being net-zero energy.

- planning for Weatherize Upper Valley: planning meeting is Wed., 11/30, 6 pm, Montshire; our team kickoff event will be Wed., 1/18, 6:30 pm Montshire. Marion Cross School multipurpose room has been reserved for 1/25 in case of bad weather. The 4 contractors working with our team have said they have items we can use for our Weatherize display at the library during January.

- Norwich Town Plan updates: discussion of a Town process that might require homeowners to have an initial (free) consultation with Efficiency Vermont as part of the Town zoning permit. The next Planning Commission meeting is 12/8; NEC members will attend if energy-related items are on the agenda.

- Energy Dashboard ([vtenergydashboard.org](http://vtenergydashboard.org)) is launched. Linda had a training session with Rob Fish, has pursued several follow-up items. Rob would like to attend the NEC meeting in December.

- Solarize update: 40 households in Norwich have gone solar, with the year not yet over.

- Sarah Reeves has told Linda that she does not plan to seek re-appointment to the NEC next spring; Linda requested that committee members think of folks who seem interested, to recruit as new members.

- Reminder: the VECAN conference is Saturday, 12/3, at the Lake Morey Resort -- recommended for information and networking.

- update from Neil Fulton re GUVSWMD solar projects.

Next meeting is Tuesday, 12/20, 7 pm, Tracy Hall [NOTE: changed to 3rd Tuesday of the month, due to the holiday.]

submitted by Linda Gray