

# Northfield Energy Committee Minutes

April 20, 2021

**Present:** Sarah Wolfe, Bob Keeley, Patrick Meehan, Ted Fisher and Gail Hall

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Chairperson, Sarah Wolfe

**Public participation:** None

**March 16, 2021 Minutes:** Acceptance moved by Bob K; seconded by Patrick M. **Approved**

**Select Board Meeting Takeaways:** All Board members were approved at 3/23/21 Select Board Meeting.

## **Kiosk Update:**

- The Board was favorably impressed with the most recent diagrams prepared by NU students for the Kiosk.
- “Coming Soon” poster is being printed and laminated by Capitol Copy. It should be up on the sandwich-board sign next week. Printing costs (approximately \$25) were approved for reimbursement from the NEC account.
- A verbal roofing agreement has been made with Watershed Construction (Montpelier) through Keith Schumacher. They are willing to do the job for us in the Fall and are even attempting to arrange for the donation of slate for the project. The estimated cost (\$700) will be much less than an estimate quoted for a standing seam alternative.
- Historical Society representatives are scheduled to meet in May with Danny Sagan (NU professor) to discuss the location and dimensions of the timeline on the exterior of the Kiosk walls.

## **Building energy & EV charging campaign discussion:**

- Energy Survey result are coming in. Bob reported that inserts to gather further community input will be included in the next Northfield utility bill. Results should be available at the next NEC meeting.
- Facebook and Front Porch Forum were discussed as additional distribution channels to reach the community.

## **Next Educational Campaign:**

- Two options for our next energy educational initiative were offered: Who/What organizations are contributing to local energy efficiency efforts and Where do our energy resources originate. The NEC Board determined that our next focus will be Where we obtain our energy, beginning with the Annual Energy Action report and including energy efforts as cited by VPPSA and the Northfield Utility Committee.
- Sarah will contact Steve Fitzhugh to check on Northfield data and draft 6-7 posts for this initiative.

**Expanding the NEC:** Board members will look through the NEC membership list and post an invitation through Sarah’s email to welcome new members to the group to encourage more active participation in NEC activities.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Hall, NEC Secretary