

## Northfield Energy Committee

### Minutes for the meeting of April 19, 2022, 6:30-7:30pm

Location: Google Hangouts (meet.google.com/dmy-dyhz-ucs)

1. Public Participation (Scheduled):
  - a. Discussion with Sam Lash, CVRPC
    - i. Doing outreach to 23 municipalities in VT
    - ii. Can provide support to town; to address energy plan (technical advisory and some direct support; can assist with strategy and recruitment)
    - iii. Is doing a lot of work on tracking resources for funding
    - iv. Helping with navigating changing standards
    - v. Helping towns collaborate
    - vi. Putting a survey for a roundtable to energy committees across the region to share what each committee is doing (and what concerns are)
    - vii. After Roundtable will be setting up workshops
  - b. Questions for Sam Lash, CVRPC
    - i. Are there high level initiatives that we should be thinking of as a region or as a town?
      1. Regional plan complete in 2016, needs to be revisited (Northfields enhanced plan is part of its town plan: [https://www.northfield-vt.gov/files/ugd/1c4c06\\_d7aa2f168c6e4cc79a98f6bc595bbeea.pdf](https://www.northfield-vt.gov/files/ugd/1c4c06_d7aa2f168c6e4cc79a98f6bc595bbeea.pdf))
      2. Figuring out how progress on goals in the town plan are tracked.
    - ii. What is CVRPC?
      1. Because VT does not have county governments, RPC exist instead to support local governments to state government.
      2. Sam's job is more geared to implementation (rather than planning)
  - c. Sarah gave an overview of the founding of the Northfield Energy Committee.
  - d. Sam to send NEC potential funding sources for funding EV charging stations.
2. Motion to approve minutes from 3/15 meeting (Bob), seconded (Pat). Unanimously approved.
3. Discussion:
  - a. Kiosk/Transportation Hub Project Construction Update
    - i. Gail provided written updates that Sarah shared
    - ii. May 11 is installation date (Norwich will be transporting and installing on the site in front of Community Bank)
    - iii. Potential celebrations for the Kiosk
      1. Farmers Market Opening (May 17)
        - a. Sarah and potentially Gail could support
      2. Place Making Pop-up (May 20) with Local Motion
        - a. Bob and Sarah available Friday Morning
      3. NEC can tentatively agree to both celebrations
      4. Discussed logistics for openings
  - b. Local Motion eBike lending library update
    - i. Bob to follow-up with Jeff (town managers)
  - c. Placemaking event collaboration
  - d. ARPA funds outreach group
    - i. Committee is preparing a survey to send out to community to collect feedback
    - ii. Discussed connecting with the committee about requesting fill-in options and follow-up after the survey.
4. Adjourned at 7:30.