

Starksboro Energy Committee

Meeting Notes

Monday April 1, 2024

12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Virtual Teams Meeting

1. Attendees
 - a. Richard Faesy, Jeff Dunham
2. Public Comments
 - a. None
3. Approve Minutes from 3/11/24
 - a. No quorum, so didn't approve
4. Energy Committee Appointments
 - a. RF to ask Robyn about continuing for a 1 year term
5. Allocating Solar Credits to Town Buildings Update
 - a. No updates on GMP allocations
 - b. Jeff reached out but town staff will be on vacation, so will follow up after they are back
6. Transitioning ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager to the Town
 - a. Megan reached out to Rebecca and will connect in May
7. VEEP Workshop at the Library
 - a. Rich Warren had reached out to Catherine at the Library and Alex at VEEP.
 - b. Catherine at the library had mentioned April 13 and May 4 (2 pm start) as two suggested dates for the workshop. Alex is not available on May 4, and yesterday, we agreed that April 13 would be too much of a crunch to pull off a well-attended event. Alex is available on May 18, and we now have that date in mind. We plan on giving out grocery store gift cards for those that pre-register and attend. I expect CVOEO will be partnering in some way with regard to this workshop.
 - c. Jeff and Richard support May 18 as long as Catherine is ok with it.
8. Building Audits and Projects
 - a. Audits were done as part of the MERP grant for the Jerusalem Schoolhouse and Food Shelf building. We are awaiting draft reports.
 - b. Hopefully SEC will have a chance to review the reports before they are finalized
 - c. Meetinghouse Preschool
 - i. No word from Keegan on whether they have found a general contractor for this project
 - d. Robinson School Heat Pump Water Heaters
 - i. From Joel Fitzgerald at MAUSD on 2/20/24:
 1. We are set to replace the heater this summer at Robinson with 2 60 gallon heat pump units. We are also set to replace a unit at Beeman with a 60. To date we have 5 units in the district installed.

2. We also have and will continue to install the minnie split units district wide to include a 505,000.00 EVT. project at Beeman.
 3. I hope this is helpful, Joel
9. Community Weatherization Plans
 - a. Richard drafted a one-page flyer for Pete and Rebecca to review after the SEC reviews first
 - b. Review Outreach Brochure
 - i. Jeff had a few edits
 - ii. Send to Pete and Rebecca for review with Jeff's edits
 - c. Coordination with Rebecca and Pete
 - d. Coordination with CEAC Navigator Project
 - i. Richard shared with Jean Terwilliger at CEAC but hasn't heard back
 10. Seeking Other Grants
 - a. No progress on grants for the following projects:
 - i. Starksboro Library HVAC Project
 - ii. Pavilion Solar Roof or other PV
 1. 13 kW Town Gap
 2. 8 kW Library Electrification Needs
 - iii. MTAP Grant
 - b. No updates, but will keep an ear out
 11. Other business
 12. Next meeting – 5/6/24 noon
 - a. Does this new time and day work better?
 - i. This time is better for Jeff during sugaring, but otherwise evenings can work
 1. February – April are the busy sugaring months
 - b. Keep meetings at noon on the first Monday of the month for now