

Starksboro Energy Committee

Monday May 5, 2025

12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Virtual Teams Meeting

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1. Attendees
    - a. Richard, Adam, Rich
    - b. Amanda
  2. Public Comments
  3. Approve Minutes from 4/7/25 and 4/21/25 meetings
    - a. Didn't have quorum at start of the meeting so didn't approve
  4. Committee Membership
    - a. Update on SEC member terms
    - b. Terms are in question
    - c. Look up past meeting notes to see if there is anything in writing
    - d. The Select Board should make the call
    - e. SB did approve Rich and Adam
      - i. OK to make three years for everyone
    - f. Amanda will check with SB to set up tracking for 3 years and will look in minutes first
  5. Town Plan and the Energy Plan
    - a. Update on EECBG 3.0 and Municipal Energy Planning Grant Participation
    - b. Jolyn sent a document for signature, we didn't sign in time
    - c. We needed a letter of support sent on 4/19 and ACRPC needed it on 4/21, so we missed it
    - d. Amanada will follow up to confirm
    - e. Planning Commission
    - f. Energy Plan has to follow the ACRPC guidelines and data
    - g. Act 181 calls for updating energy plans as part of presentations to each town's updated plans
      - i. Act 250 changes
      - ii. Supposed to be travelling to towns to provide updates
    - h. RF reach out to Denny Casey to get status and when Energy Plan input would be needed
      - i. Done on 5/20
    - i. Zoning Bylaws
      - i. PC is still deep in the weeds

- ii. Finishing this before getting to the Town Plan, may be year away
- 6. ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager Town data entry coordination
  - a. Megan and Amanda
  - b. Ali Thompson is the new treasurer
  - c. RF ask Megan and Amanda will ask Ali on status
  - d. Up to \$800 still available
- 7. Joint May 15 Regional Energy Committee Meeting in Richmond
  - a. Richard may go (but didn't)
  - b. Rich may think about it
  - c. Adam can't make
- 8. MERP Grant next steps
  - a. Jerusalem Schoolhouse
    - i. Set up meeting post May 6 vote
    - ii. We should know by Wednesday select board meeting
    - iii. Keep discussion moving forward
    - iv. Set up meeting
      - 1. 5/20 12:00
      - 2. RF reach out to Susan and Luke and Jolyn, as well
  - b. Food Shelf
    - i. Review project specs
    - ii. Pete is moving generator
    - iii. Town will cover costs of moving
    - iv. James Zeno, Jackmans and CHPH will give heat pump quotes
    - v. Review comments, make edits
    - vi. Jolyn to distribute.
    - vii. Rich would be able to cut off the fence with torches and a cutoff saw
      - 1. Would like a deadline; mid-June would be great
- 9. EV charger rate review
  - a. Jeff has the past information on use and rates
  - b. RF share Dropbox access with Adam:
    - <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/swoq66gliyusyiwytwjsb/h?rlkey=emaxoy04hzevz3kyed2n4gvef&st=i439mu5i&dl=0>
- 10. Addison County Energy Fair September 6
  - a. Decided not to participate
  - b. Focus on a Starksboro event instead to pull in town residents
- 11. Other business
- 12. Next meeting – 5/20 and 6/2/25