

Draft Hartford Energy Commission minutes  
November 18, 2021

Present in person: Molly Smith, Lynn Bohi; Dana Clawson, staff

Present virtually: Ashton Todd; Sarah Bruce, Kathy Stoffolino, Todd Lloyd, Sally Bellew, guests; Dan Fraser, Selectboard

Molly called the meeting to order at 5:04pm by reading the hybrid public meeting announcement.

Dan encouraged people to watch and attend Selectboard meetings.

Window Dressers (WD): Volunteer positions are all filled: Dana for local coordinator, Sarah for volunteers, Molly for outreach, Kathy and Sally for food, and Todd for measuring. Locations are two: Damon Hall in Hartland and the UCC church in Hartford Village. Both have positives and remaining questions. Both have high enough ceilings and ways to bring in the equipment. UCC would have to be in November and is available Monday to Saturday and the cost is unknown. Damon Hall is currently closed to the public and the future is unknown. Another possibility is the former Elks now Cornerstone. It will be checked out. Molly has made a gant chart, which is a way to organize complex projects. She will send to all for comments and editing. The WD leaders will meet virtually on the first Thursday each month at 5pm. The first meeting is January 6. It is possible that WD supplies the vast majority of equipment. WD is in the process of re-doing the guide.

Meeting schedule: HEC will meet the 4th Thursday of all months except November and December, which will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. It will be at 5:00pm and remain in the hybrid model.

Recruitment: This should be a focus for the short term. Suggestions: Someone from Vital Communities, perhaps Anna Gunther; Alex Bryant; use Hartford listserve; high school students; and Ashton's neighbor.

EV ambassador: This is a program that solicits Electric Vehicle (EV) owners in a town to share information with others who are recruited probably on the listserve who are thinking about buying an EV. The owners share information with the potential buyers and there is no pressure from a salesperson. At the Vital Communities Roundtable there was a 5 minute presentation about this.

HEC Herald: November's edition will go out Nov. 20. December is National Car Donation Month. An article about Mileage Smart and Good News Garage would fit that. And a holiday article about HEC members favorite tips to make the holidays more energy efficient. Everyone please send tips to Molly. Ashton will write about smart and programmable thermostats including possible rebates from Green Mountain Power and Efficiency Vermont. Articles are due Dec 16.

VECAN conference: December 4, in morning and 6,7,8,9 from noon to 1:15 all virtual. Dana will donate for 3 HEC members, Molly is going through her work.

The meeting adjourned at 6:17pm

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Bohi, Clerk