

St. Johnsbury Town Energy Committee
July 7, 2025

Members Present: Steve Isham, Pam Parker (Chair), Susan Parker, Jason Kaiser, Robert Michael, and Lynn Wurzburg

1. Review of June minutes

Minutes approved

2. Weatherization for All event - October 4 at St Andrews

Time, Vendors, Food, Publicity, Attendees

The event will target homeowners who are looking to make their homes more efficient. Event will be 10-12. Steve will get the list of vendors from Kresten Sterling from the town. Each vendor will give a short presentation about what they provide and then attendees can meet with the vendors to learn more. We are able to provide food and will ask Kitchen Counter Café to provide quiche, muffins, coffee, and tea. Pam said the issue is that we have a big number of vendors but not a lot of attendees. Pam suggested we invite other town energy committees as one solution.

Steve suggested we market it as weatherization 101.

Lynn suggested that each person who attends have a name tag that also identifies what they are interested in (e.g., heat pumps). Susan suggested that we talk to realtors who have recently sold homes.

Susan suggested rather than list vendors, list what they offer around weatherization. Lynn will ask RK Miles if they could bring some of their energy efficient goods and donate gift certificates.

Publicity will include notices in Front Porch Forum, an article in the Caledonian-Record, and flyers for around town. Lynn suggested we publicize this through the St. Johnsbury school.

Lynn will contact RK Miles for gift certificates/donations. Steve will contact Kitchen Counter Cafe for food; he will also contact Kresten and vendors. Steve will check with NVDA about use of MERP funds. Pam will contact Efficiency VT for request to attend and materials.

3. Central Caledonia Community Build - Oct 16-22, 2025

Robert said we have orders for 154 inserts. We have measured 81. The deadline is Sept. 12. Jason will check with his church in Lyndonville where we will do the build to see if they want some windows measured. Pam said Brian Keith from NETO is publicizing it

with his customers. Lynn is also looking at other options like restaurants that have drafty windows.

Jason will write a post for Front Porch Forum. Lynn suggested we post a video showing how it works. People can sign up for WindowDressers here:

<https://windowdressers.org/> To volunteer go here:

<https://windowdressers.org/vermont-community-builds/> Laural Ruggles is writing a press release. Darlene Ahrens will take handouts to the St J town band concert on July 21 at the History and Heritage Center.

4. August mtg date/Sept mtg date

Pam asked if we could put August 4 as a tentative meeting. For the September meeting, we will meet Tuesday, Sept. 2 if available.