REAC Agenda and Minutes - August 23rd, 2017

Town Hall, Large Conference Room 5:30-6:30/7:00pm

Items & Updates:

This was tabled this until September meeting. The group will review June, July and August minutes at the next meeting.

• LED Interior lighting RFP design phase, bids due Aug 28

This is a two-phase bid. Phase I will be a design phase, phase II will be construction/installation. The building tour on August 1st was very worthwhile. Of the 4 companies who attended, it is expected that there will be 3 proposals. Kimberly needs help reviewing and scoring the proposals when she receives them. She is hopeful to have the bid awarded by Thursday, August 31st. Alan Solander is going to help Kimberly review the first phase proposals. Dave Low offered to help assist with the second phase of this project when we get there.

WindowDressers

The build is scheduled for September 15-18. Need to work with Cumberland to start signing up and scheduling shifts for volunteers. Kimberly asked the group to send her their availability to help out during the build, soon.

• Casco Bay Heat Pump Challenge

This is part of a regional effort with the Greater Portland Council of Governments (GPCOG) and Efficiency Maine. They put out a bid for this "challenge" and hired five reputable and experienced companies to install heat pumps—the idea is like a "solarize" effort, a bulk-purchase discount more or less. This event/program is open to residents, businesses and the Town can also benefit. During the building tour for LED interior lighting, it became evident that most of our fire stations living quarters could benefit from heat pumps—they have window AC units right now.

Event details: http://wepowr.com/casco-bay

Council weekly communication:

The Casco Bay Heat Pump Challenge is coming to Falmouth on **Saturday, October 14th** at the Mason Motz gym from 10am-2pm! The Greater Portland Council of Governments (GPCOG) is leading this regional effort and have selected four reputable Efficiency Maine Vendors to provide special event-only discounts to residents and businesses who sign up for a free site visit at any event and choose to move forward with an installation; if enough attendees install a heat pump with any of the vendors, they have each agreed to provide an additional bulk discount.

Schedule of events for the Casco Bay Heat Pump Challenge:

September 23rd—South Portland Community Center

October 14—Falmouth Mason Motz Activity Center

October 21—Scarborough Public Library

• Review results from surveying at Transfer Station on food-waste drop off program

Kimberly showed the survey results and lead an open discussion with the group.

Discussed increasing signage at Transfer Station in general. Maybe it's not the best idea to have the students have a competition for the signage, but they could help in bettering the content of what is written on the signs, and perhaps the school could help promote the drop off program in general. The group felt a more "industrialized" sign would be better.

Group discussed town wide curbside compost collection.

Scarborough has drop off compost locations, who is doing it and how is it working?

Boat wrap recycling—Cathy is going to work on scheduling a meeting in the fall with the following parties: ecomaine, Rep. Cathy Breen, Kimberly, and Dick Klain is also interested in attending.

- Rapport—Emissions calculations and dashboard
 Kimberly walked the group through the online dashboards.
 - Tie in with <u>Energy & Sustainability Plan</u>—<u>UPDATE NEEDED BY THIS FALL!</u>
 Committee should plan on September meeting being entirely devoted to the Energy & Sustainability Plan

REAC's September meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20^{th} at 5:30pm.