

Minutes of the Resiliency Committee meeting on 7/12/2023

Dan, Meg, Richard, Leticia, John, Susy, Van and Anne C were there.

Green Energy Tour

Anne reported that the map for the Green Energy Tour is mocked up and will be two sides, one with a map and one with descriptions. Also decided on signs for the sites that will be green with a yellow sun and about 2'X3' and not include site numbers (the better to use them another time). Betsy Welch will finish the map, print about 100 copies, and get the signs made. Richard pointed out that the town office budget may have some money that could be used. Anne C will distribute maps and also encourage people to download from a QR code that Richard will produce to be added to the map and available on the town website. Anne C and Julie will get out press releases. Richard, Van, and John will put up the site signs on Friday, August 11. Richard will get information on the transfer station installation and find someone to be there on August 12. Anne C will get Revision to write up a blurb on Anne Cogger's installation and either Anne will be there to hand out or Susy will find someone to do that.

Next?

What should be next for resilience in St. George? We want to make connections with all of the town committees and make sure they include resilience in all planning. John is joining the comprehensive plan committee and will add the resilience perspective there.

Greenhouse gas inventory

John has been working on this and it's been problematic to find the raw data. What we really want to do is see what direction the town is going in, better or worse? John could use information from other towns to get percentages of electric or gasoline use per resident. From that we could recommend projects like: green building standards, cluster building to reduce driving, distribution centers on the peninsula, or electric public transport. Discussed studying our municipal buildings and moving them in the right direction and be the example by showing how green improvements work. We could create a formula for individuals to use to track their own electric or gasoline use. There are on-line calculators for this. Upgrades to the municipal buildings would be a good grant project. Meg will keep us informed of when the next round of grants opens up.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 6 from 5 to 6 pm.

Susy Ellis