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Rockingham Energy Committee

Tuesday February 13, 2024 7:00-8:30 PM

AGENDA

Via ZOOM only

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86442525264?pwd=U3BwNIRIMGw5ZlR5aDRRUjZ5SjhTZz09>

Meeting ID: 864 4252 5264 Passcode: 841207

1. Alteration to the Agenda, Guest Introductions—
2. **Ideas for proposed "Home Energy Forum" series**
 - Timing--once a month, or every 2 months
 - When--weekday evenings, 6:30 start, at the library, use their Teams for remote access
 - What we need--topics, speakers, a website (library? town?) on which to share announcements, documents & links, and meeting recordings
 - Possible topics—Other suggestions welcome!!

FIRST forum, **Thursday 3/21, 6:30, topic: Weatherization** (including spray foam pros & cons)

--DIY weatherization (John Hyslop, SEVCA)

-- Professional weatherization (John Dunbar, Farnum)

FUTURE forums--

--Types of energy audits, what you can learn from them

--Attic & basement issues with air sealing, insulation, moisture (Guy recommend some folks?)

--When & how to replace windows to minimize payback time

--Modern wood heat options (wood pellet furnaces & boilers, etc.)

--Cold climate heat pumps (HB Energy, BART, Cota & Cota, and Lawrence & Lober are all local EEN members who install them) & how to integrate them with other heat sources

--Low-income assistance options

--Heating system resilience during power failures--wood & propane stoves that don't need electricity, battery backup (but it won't run heat pumps), generators, Preventing frozen pipes in crawl spaces & other unheated areas

3. **Window Dressers quality issues**

Still waiting to hear if WD staff can replicate the erratic readings I got from our laser tool.

4. **Landlord outreach** -- Guy will follow up, working with Jeff & John Dunbar.

5. **Town Energy Plan**—Guy and Peter talked to Margo Ghia on 1/18 about how to proceed.

6. **Announcements, etc.**

Next REC meeting—**Tuesday 3/12/24? 7:00**

Adjourn