

SOUTH THOMASTON RESILIENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Sunday, June 21, 2024 @ 2:00pm
GILFORD BUTLER COMMUNITY CENTER
SOUTH THOMASTON, MAINE

Facilitator: Neil Cambridge

Recorder: Nancy Goslin

Attendees: Neil Cambridge, Pennie Alley, Nancy Goslin, Denise Rzeznikiewicz, Kathy Florance, Sally Merchant

I. Call to order at 4:10pm

II. Review and approval of prior (06/02/24) meeting minutes

III. No adjustments to agenda

IV. Sundog update

A. 34 panels installed and wired, 12 more can be added to the array

B. Panels have dual collection sides

C. Ground to be covered with landscaping cloth and light colored crushed rock to reflect to underside of panels

D. Fence to be installed

E. Native perennials in low and narrow raised beds to surround fence

F. How will South Thomaston be able to see power usage/savings
V. Committee info doc - Nancy and Kathy to revise

VI. Community update

1. Plan picnic celebration

2. Outline of what we've done, what we want to accomplish, and where we're headed

3. Collaboration with St. George shared CR coordinator

4. Survey info

VII. EV discussion update - Neil reported back to committee

A. Possible scenarios include

1. State paid

2. Tesla responsible for maintenance

3. Superchargers 30 minute charge
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4. Chargers every 50 miles along Route 1
 5. Thomaston EV free to residents, income generating
 6. Greater Portland COG has dual purpose marine electrification in Casco Bay
 7. Currently 14,000 EV vehicles in Maine with 200-300% growth
 8. Owls Head Museum has first electric vehicle
- B. Position description in draft - Neil to meet with Susie Ellis to finalize for presentation to Selectboard Sept./Oct.

VIII. Assignment of actions

- A. Neil to follow up with Selectboard re Wes as committee member
- B. Committee to discuss 2024/25 budget items
- C. Pennie to ask to be placed on SelectBoard agenda re EV charger D. Neil to communicate with South Thomaston residents interested in joining committee
- E. Kathy and Neil to outline celebration info
- F. Pennie to draft grant/tax rebate info for \$14,000
- G. Pennie to approach Selectboard for approval of materials and fencing around solar panels
- H. Neil to follow up on Portland COG dual EV electrification
- I. Nancy and Kathy to committee info to pass to Neil for revisions

IX. *Committee meeting time changed to 4pm on Fridays

X. Next meeting **Friday, 07/19/24, at 4pm**

XI. Adjourn at 4:50pm?