Mow Electric Demo Day and New Project Updates
Valley Energy & Climate Action Committee
Jeff Gephart

2021 Upper Valley Local Energy Showcase
August 2, 2021
Jeff Gephart – Bio

• Retired December, 2020 after 28 years of utility-scale, energy efficiency program design and implementation
• Appointed as Rochester’s volunteer Energy Coordinator, March, 2020
• Leading the Valley Energy & Climate Action Committee – not a Town affiliated committee
• Tasked to restart Tri-Town Municipal Energy Committee
• Shepherded the passage of a Climate Emergency Declaration at the Rochester Town Meeting in March 2020
• Contributes articles to the Herald of Randolph
• Operated a Resource Table providing energy efficiency information & recruiting Committee members at 5 Rochester Farmer’s Markets in 2020
The Valley Energy & Climate Action Committee

- **Lecture Series - VECAC & Rochester Public Library** (3rd Wednesday of month):
  - *Cold Climate Heat Pumps: Do they make sense for you?* - Efficiency Vermont – May, 2021
  - *How Your House Works & When It Doesn’t* - Efficiency Vermont – June, 2021
  - *Options for Using the Sun to Power Your Home or Business* - SunCommon, Solaflect Energy, & Bristol Community Solar - July, 2021
  - *Weatherization Services* – Capstone Community Action – August 18, 2021

- **Mow Electric! Commercial Mowing Demo Day** - May, 2021

- **Resource table @ Farmer’s Market, Valley Recycling/Trash day, & Harvest Fair**

- **EV Demo Day** - *Old Car New Car? EV’s are not new!*

- **Window Dressers**
Town Energy Coordinator Activities:

- **GMP Resiliency Zone**
  
  *Renewable energy, battery storage, & controls operated & owned by GMP that functions like an emergency generator & enables GMP to “peak shave”*

- **Building Performance Contractor audit – Energy Efficiency Investments, Inc.**
  
  *Analysis of energy use by town buildings & services for preparation of future infrastructure grant funding application*

- **Selected as Vermont Counsel for Rural Development’s Climate Economy Model Communities Program 2021 Participant**
  
  *Provides expert community engagement facilitation to identify community goals*

- **Restart Tri-Town Municipal Energy Committee – Hancock, Pittsfield, & Rochester**
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xKKSV2LcsBg

Rochester Mow Electric! Demo Event
Presented by:
Valley Energy & Climate Action Committee
And
The Mow Electric! Campaign
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Valley Energy & Climate Action Committee

Get something cooking and then keep stirring the pot!

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