IREC Steering Committee Meeting  
June 22, 2021

Present: Doc Bagley, Strafford; Elizabeth Ferry, Barnard; Erica Ko, Thetford; Geoff Martin, IREC; Neal Leitner, Woodstock; Ryan Haac, Sharon. Regrets: Doug Fraser, Fairlee.

1. Additions/changes to agenda: none.

2. **Peggy O’Neill-Vivanco, Vermont Clean Cities Coalition**
   Clean Cities Coalition is a program of the U.S. Department of Energy to advance economic, environmental, and energy security by supporting local actions *to reduce petroleum use in transportation*. Peggy to present two free, on-line transportation resources:

   This resource outlines recommendations of who needs to be involved, what data collected and studied, and which questions need to be addressed to make meaningful changes away from fossil fuels in transportation. (* denotes area of greatest potential for multiple IREC towns)*
   *a) Community-Building: a pre-requisite for all of the modules*
   
   b) Municipal Fleets: note that there will be a tri-state conference for VT, NH, and ME cities and towns focusing on medium and heavy-duty vehicles for our northern climate. Will include peer-to-peer discussions and roundtables. It is scheduled for July 22 at 10:30 AM. More details available soon.

   *c) Zoning Regulations: EV-ready building requirements; also appropriate for Stretch code*
   
   *d) Permitting: planning within local permitting requirements (c & d go well together)*
   
   e) Multi-unit developments: working with property-owners re: residential charging stations
   
   *f) Public and destination infrastructure: Ideas generated in discussion: Strafford Nordic Center, Barnard/Silver Lake State Park, somewhere in Thetford (possibly the Academy).*
   
   g) Parking and enforcement: strategies to keep EV charging spaces open for EVs
   
   *h) First responders: idle reduction technology; planning for electrification.*

   Peggy talked about her experience with (b) with the City of Burlington. This included an inventory of vehicles and their costs, including annual maintenance. Burlington has a Procurement Policy that requires departments to consider alternative fuel vehicles. AFLEET makes it easy to compare vehicle costs in the short and long term.

   II. **AFLEET** helps fleet managers to quantify the environmental and economic impacts of new fuels and vehicle technologies. [https://afleet.es.anl.gov/afleet/](https://afleet.es.anl.gov/afleet/)
   Discussion followed, including questions about compatibility with equipment and availability.
   Note that idle reduction technology is inexpensive and is a place to start.
   Geoff will pursue individual conversations in the 1:1 with IREC town reps.

3. **Drive for Shared Documents.** We agreed to Dropbox. Geoff will set it up.

4. **Green Procurement Policy.** Erica noted that AFLEET could support the underlying purpose of Geoff’s Green Procurement Policy.

5. **Scheduling Monthly Meetings:** Bradford and Norwich will join the FY 22 IREC Steering Committee in July. Geoff will poll us on our scheduling preferences for future meetings.