

Chat and links for KB MERP Energy Assessments Webinar 7/19/2023

Links entered before recording (who knew it doesn't capture those!)

Register for the next Knowledge Bites – next Weds 7/26 at noon with VT Bond Bank:

<https://brattleborodevelopment.com/public-events/knowledge-bites-vt-bond-agency/>

Knowledge Bites: previous MERP Webinar (and all recordings)
<https://brattleborodevelopment.com/knowledge-bites/> (scroll down for most recent recordings).

You can also visit the SVEP YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9cVUdIWGAPI&list=PLm0uRJTId_nZfY-vvWdq-Y3OrejntIGUz

Southern Vermont Economy Project: Resources, upcoming events, and links to recorded resources: <https://brattleborodevelopment.com/svep/>

00:21:20 Callie Fishburn: If you are rejected, you can always reapply.

00:22:11 Jessica Roberts: We got it early and reported for the first 2K we used (Energy Fair June 3) already

00:25:58 Gary Fox: Can mini-grant explore municipal battery storage facility?

00:26:02 Jen McDuffie: Did I hear that the building we would like to be assessed has to be ADA compliant already???

(Answer in recording)

00:26:57 Jen McDuffie: Thank you

00:27:40 Gary Fox: will do

00:30:08 Meg Staloff, BDCC: The prior webinar is at the knowledge bites link above!

00:30:15 Jessica Roberts: Half the PowerPoint is cutting out for me. Is it just me?

00:30:21 Jessica Roberts: Hard to read and follow

00:30:57 Jen McDuffie: Everything is fine here

00:31:08 Gary Fox: can see everything here

00:32:17 Jessica Roberts: Thanks Margo - I can see more. I'll play with settings. Maybe I have it zoomed weirdly.

00:32:44 Jessica Roberts: ok fixed!

00:36:14 Jen McDuffie: WHAT is a mechanical drawing and a lighting schedule?

00:36:31 Meg Staloff, BDCC:

<https://bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program>

00:38:30 Margo Ghia, WRC: For lighting schedules, the following items would be sufficient:

- # and type of lights
- Approximate use (duration and frequency)

00:39:17 Margo Ghia, WRC: Mechanical drawings show your heating system and how it distributes throughout the building. If you don't have that, but have information on your heating unit, that can be good information too.

00:39:24 Jessica Roberts: What if we have several muni buildings and fuel usage for each building was not tracked independently? How can I find that?

00:40:22 Margo Ghia, WRC: Look at the actual bills, the company should list the different accounts associated with each of the buildings.

00:40:52 Meg Staloff, BDCC: Link to sign up for BGS MERP mailing list <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=O5O0IK26PEOcAnDtzHVZxmTV7xysoplHoT3YzsrIropUNldUWlpJTTBENTIMMkpXMkhPUTdNUVREOS4u>

00:43:38 Helen Krzeminski: We sent our Invoice for the minigrant. When do we expect to see funds and will it be a check? I don't recall asking for banking information. Thanks

00:45:21 Forrest Holzapfel: To gather past energy usage on buildings, I had good luck contacting the utility and asking for 5 years of usage. All responded with all the info needed...

00:45:36 Jessica Roberts: Yes - we invoiced them for that and it was very simple and accepted.

00:46:00 Helen Krzeminski: Dover

00:46:32 Helen Krzeminski: We are a Fire District (West Dover) in the Town of Dover

00:46:58 cathy fales: Is there a way to go back and look at application that has been submitted?

00:47:18 cathy fales: Can you read /windham county highlighted towns?

00:47:47 Helen Krzeminski: Thank you.

00:47:53 Jeannette Eckert: Were there two invoices for Dover? Town of Dover also sent in the invoice.

00:48:43 Jeannette Eckert: Separate from North Branch

00:48:57 Helen Krzeminski: Ours would be North Branch Fire District #1, in West Dover. The Town of Dover also was granted a mini grant

00:49:35 Callie Fishburn: Yes North Brand FD and Dover are both highlighted - indicating invoices were received from both.

00:49:50 Jessica Roberts: Another question, I have a lot of research to do as this info is not organized (bills, plans) - is there a rough idea of how long I have to finish this application? I am going on vacation soon and I want to be sure I won't be too late. Is there a chance the money will run out and it will be first come first served or do I have time to really do it carefully?

00:49:57 Jeannette Eckert: Great thank you!

00:50:12 Jessica Roberts: Reacted to "To gather past energ..." with 👍

00:51:31 Helen Krzeminski: Replying to "Yes North Brand FD a..."

Thank you for the clarification.

00:51:52 Jen McDuffie: Thank you for info on lights/mechanical. I think I can get that.

00:52:26 Margo Ghia, WRC: For the Windham Regional Commission, you can contact Margo at mghia@windhamregional.org

00:52:37 Jessica Roberts: Yes.

00:53:22 Jessica Roberts: <https://www.encyvermont.com/news-blog/whitepapers/vermont-energy-burden> correct resource?

00:54:21 Jessica Roberts: thanks! I thought that;s what I remembered but wasn't sure

00:55:07 Jen McDuffie: Yes, Margo & Mike have been very accessible - thank you!

00:55:19 Somara Zwick: Reacted to "Yes, Margo & Mike ha..." with 👍

00:55:26 Forrest Holzapfel: Thanks!

00:55:27 Rachel Shields Ebersole: So nice to see you all!