

Report of the Fremont Energy Committee

The Fremont Energy Committee (FEC) is a volunteer group that began in 2007 to focus on public energy use and efficiency and to provide energy efficiency and incentive information to the public. In 2016 the FEC met on an approximate monthly basis (taking off some time during the summer and around the holidays) and focusing on a few initiatives.

The primary initiative involved the evaluation of the Safety Complex as a solar site. In the fall a solar design concept was obtained for a roof based solar array. No further action has occurred since then as it is understood that the roof surface should be replaced (it is almost 20 years old) before a solar system with a long useful life is installed on the roof.

In the fall of the year the FEC decided to refocus its efforts of providing energy efficiency and cost reduction information to residents. It is anticipated that this will be further developed in 2017.

The FEC is aware that Fremont residents are continuing to recycle approximately 20% of their trash. Recycling improves our energy efficiency, saves landfill space and reduces the towns operating costs. For those that are making the effort to maximize their recycling, keep up the good work. As a community we can improve on this as some communities are able to recycle a higher percentage of their waste.

Former resident Bob Larson discontinued his involvement with the FEC as he no longer resides in the area. Bob was one of the founding volunteers on the FEC. We are most appreciative of his initiative and commitment to the FEC and energy efficiency. The FEC is always interested in having new members join the group. Individuals who are interested in energy efficiency and have the time to meet monthly are encouraged to attend a meeting and see if becoming a part of the FEC is of interest to them.

Respectfully submitted,

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Blanding's Turtle on the
Horsburgh property observed
during the summer 2016 wetlands
study administered by the Fremont
Conservation Commission in
concert with the SouthEast Land
Trust

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