

Residential Building Energy Labeling Working Group
Meeting Notes
12/10/20

Attendees: Leslie Badger (EVT); Kelly Launder (PSD); Chris Gordon (EVT); Keith Levenson (PSD); Tom Lyle (BED); Craig Peltier (VHCB); Karen Horne (VGS); Martha Lange (BHHS Vermont Realty Group); Peter Tucker (Vermont Realtors Assn); Paul Zabriskie (Capstone); Richard Faesy (EFG); Mike Russom (BED); Chris West

- **Review/approve meeting minutes**
 - Tim Yandow moved to approve the meeting minutes from November, Craig Peltier seconded. Approved by voice vote.

- **Review Draft Legislative Report** (Richard Faesy)

Discussion of Language proposed by Richard and including Pros and Cons list in Appendix:

- Craig P: Agree that it might be good to include the pros and cons for the legislature. But maybe need to add stronger language about the Working Group recommendation that there shouldn't be mandatory would offset having the pros and cons list in the Appendix. (More strongly say "don't go the mandatory route".)
- *"This report focuses on a uniform statewide voluntary approach to building energy labeling. However, given that there are multiple municipalities interested in mandatory labeling policies at this time, the RBELWG has addressed such situations where relevant throughout this report. Recommendations in this report are presumed to pertain to a voluntary building energy labeling approach unless otherwise noted."*
- Craig: Change "focuses" to "recommends" a uniform statewide voluntary approach.
- Peter: OK with adding the sentences that Richard emailed into the Introduction, etc.
- Peter: Will bring this to his leadership for approval (with above strike out), and including pros and cons list in Appendix.
- Leslie: Pros and Cons Appendix language – Make clear at the beginning that the working group does not recommend a statewide mandatory program.

Next Steps:

Kelly will incorporate all the edits we discussed and will provide the report for internal review. She will also send the final version for review by the Working Group, but only for corrections and not additional comments.