

# Clean Energy Committee Report

September 23,2021

- 1) Goal is to have essentially all Ridgway and Ouray government building lights replaced by LEDs this year. Met with Ouray staff today and they are to order 240 more tube LEDs for our team to rewire and install later this fall/winter. Ridgway is essentially done, but we are still working toward that goal. This work should help spend the funds earlier earmarked for this project. This will be a huge success story for our communities! We also have work with Ouray County staff. They don't want our help but are working toward this same goal.
- 2) Paul Scharfenberger, the new Ex Dir of the CO Clean Energy Fund, now lives in Ridgway. Rein and I have met with him, introducing him to local persons and projects that might benefit from his fund.
- 3) Next CEC meeting on Thursday Nov 11 from 9-11, probably by Zoom. All are invited. Contact Rein or Dave.
- 4) LED prices keep falling and SMPA offers a 50% rebate up to \$8/bulb for up to 50 bulbs per account. This rebate won't last forever. Please take advantage of it by buying your bulbs, save the receipt, and go to <https://www.ecoactionpartners.org/smparebates/#residential-leds>
- 5) Please go to the SMPA website and sign up for Totally Green Energy if you have not done so. This costs an extra one cent per kWh, raising your power cost by 7%. The Green Fund supports local renewable energy projects, rebates, and low income households and was created in response to a recommendation by our CEC. Sign up at: <https://www.smpa.com/content/sign-totally-green>