

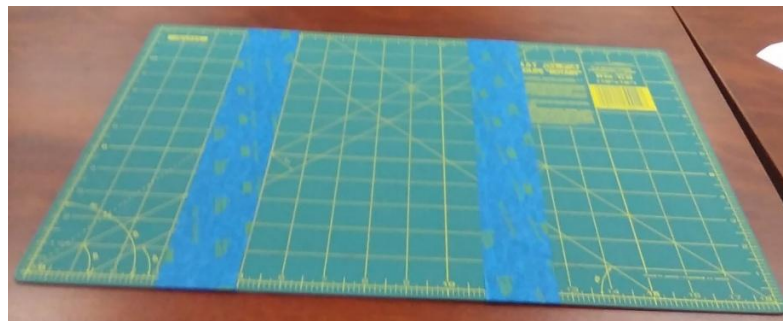
February 27, 2025, Program Meeting  
Vinyl Zippered Project Bag

Michele Martin led the Program Meeting on February 27, 2025. She led members in creating a vinyl zippered project bag. **She brought the 16 inches by 16 inches vinyl already cut that was needed for the project.** Members needed to bring:

- Sewing machine, extra needles
- Plastic clips to hold layers together
- 16-inch zipper
- Batting 15-1/2 inches by 15-1/2 inches (you can also use iron on flannel)
- Two 15-1/2 inches by 15-1/2 inches fabrics for back, you can use the same fabric or use 2 different fabrics
- 8 inches by 15-1/2 inches of fabric for top (you can use the same fabric or coordinating fabric)
- 2-1/2 inches by 15-1/2 inches of fabric for top (you can use the same fabric or coordinating fabric)
- 72 inches by 2-1/4 inches of fabric for binding

Michele then told members about the difficulty of working with vinyl:

1. You can't see the edges of the clear vinyl on a green cutting mat. She solved that problem by putting blue painters' tape on the mat.



2. Vinyl is slippery to sew on. She suggested using a Teflon foot and a 75/10 or 75/11 needle. You could also put slips of paper on top of the vinyl to keep it from slipping. Sew slowly and keep an eye on the material and vinyl to keep them aligned!



## The Process

1. Put batting in between the two 15-1/2 inches pieces of fabric and quilt together. Simple straight lines to quilt are fine. You could also use store purchased quilted fabric to save time. This is the back of the project bag.

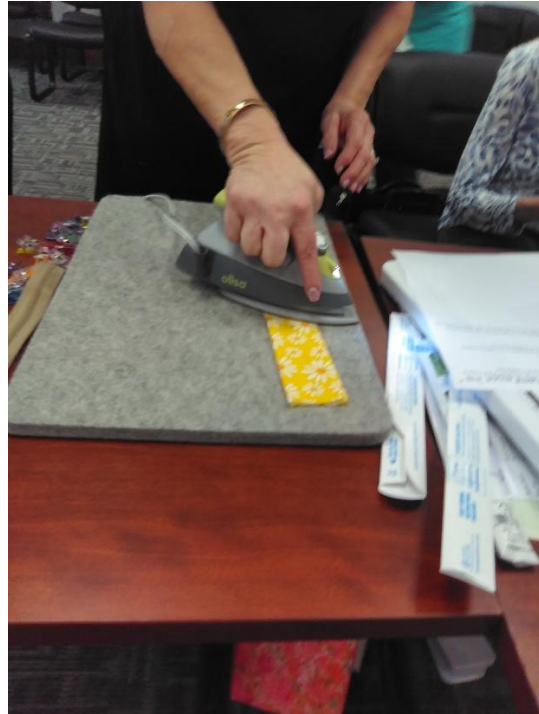


2. Take the 8 inches by 15-1/2 inches fabric and fold in half and sew one side of the zipper on it.

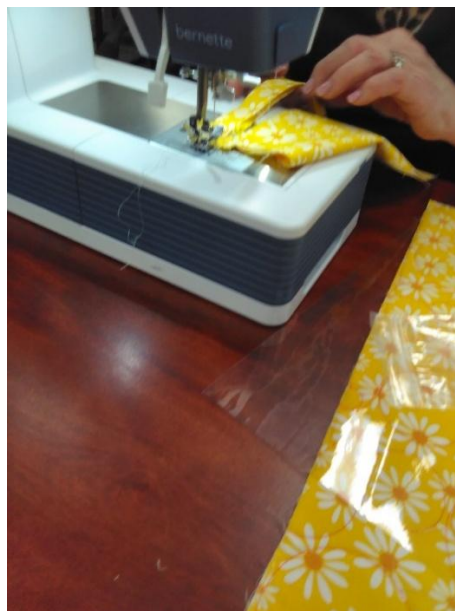




3. Fold and press the 2-1/2 inches by 15-1/2 inches piece as shown below and sew the other side of the zipper onto it.



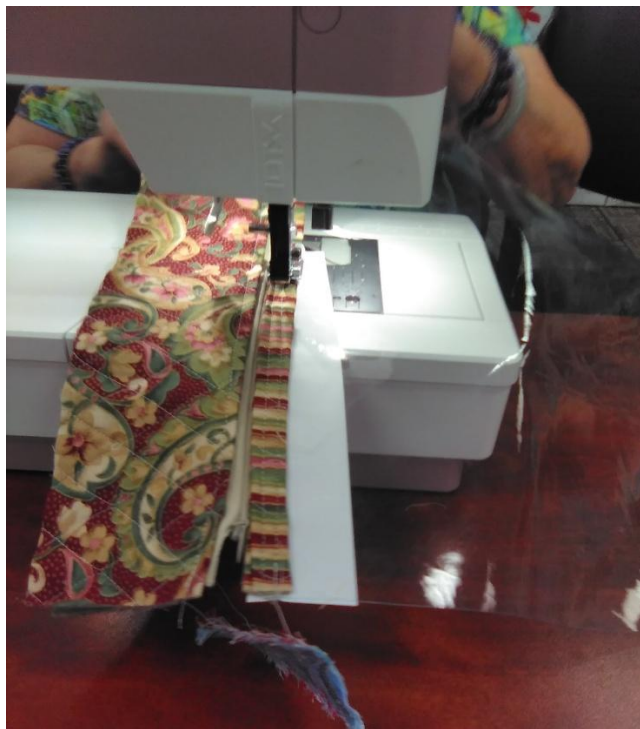
4. Sew the second side of the zipper to fabric to complete the "top" of the front panel of the project bag.



5. Completed "top" of the front panel of the project bag.



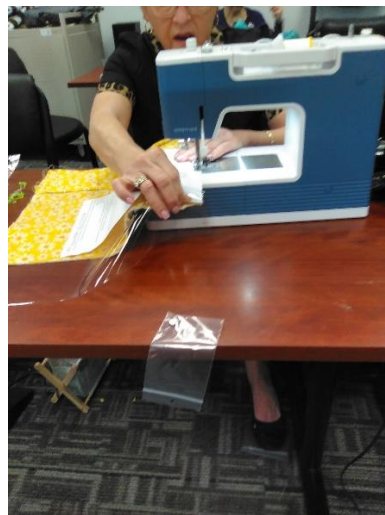
6. Sewing vinyl to the "top" of the front panel using paper to keep the vinyl from slipping.



7. Taking paper away from the fabric and vinyl.



8. Sewing the two panels together - sometimes you need the paper to keep the vinyl in line. Sew slow!





9. Finished except for binding.



10. Binding - Color - maybe, maybe not?



I found a tutorial that might help:

<https://thequiltingnook.wordpress.com/2019/04/01/vinyl-project-bag-tutorial/>