



Hollis NH Energy Committee

2019-05-20 Meeting Minutes (Final)

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Attendees: ✓ present, X not present

1. ✓ Eric Ryherd (Chair)
2. X Mike Leavitt (Secretary)
3. X Venu Rao
4. ✓ Paul Happy
5. ✓ Woody Hayes
6. X Adam Jacobs
7. X Peter Band (Select Board rep)
8. ✓ Eitan Zeira (alt)
9. X Lori Radke (Town Admin)
10. X Todd Croteau (DPW)
11. X JW Brooks

Meeting started at 7:10pm

The Meeting Minutes from 18 March were approved.

HUES

Eric has proposed to SAU41 administration to install permanent eGauges at HUES, HPS and HBHS to monitor electricity usage. Kelley is ready to buy now under the current budget. The current unit is not connected to WiFi. Eric has a meeting with Richard on Thursday to go over this. Paul has it connected via a cell modem again.

Dick Henry is working on the HSTEP savings numbers and made a presentation to the Hollis School board [last](#) week. Eric will work with Dick to simplify the numbers and present to the BOS in June.

HBMS Greenhouse

Erin White was not able to attend. Erin has an excavation company to do some work. Unclear what is being done – Eitan will clarify and see if the site work for the pole can be done at the same time. Revision provided a quote that was way too expensive so the HEC is looking to do it ourselves. Woody identified the [DPW-tpm](#) is a 6 panel pole mount from altE and will contact preformed.com to see if they can guide us on a unit that is 6' to the bottom of the panel to ensure we have sufficient ground clearance to minimize vandalism.

Eric will stop by HBMS to get the RPi connected to the Wifi then the sensors will run all year without batteries.



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Model Zoning Ordinance

Woody has a proposal which was discussed at the meeting and we made a few changes. We may need to have another meeting to dig into the entire thing at the next level. Woody will arrange a meeting in the next couple of weeks.

Lori sent an email that the requirements to make a zoning change are simply 25 signatures and then the planning board has to have public meetings on each warrant. The Planning Board schedule states that their November meeting is the last chance to initiate it. But we would need to bring the proposal before other town boards prior to that.

Should we avoid the Solar Sky Space issue completely? It was agreed that this is the Live Free or Die state so we're better off not having restrictions on your neighbor. In general, we're simplifying the model to make it easier to understand and enforce. The objective is to make it easier to install solar power in Hollis while protecting the rural character.

Adjourned 8:30pm