



Hollis NH Energy Committee

2019-08-5 Meeting Minutes (Final)

Hollis Energy Committee meeting minutes 2019-08-05:

Attendees: ✓ present, X not present

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

Meeting started at 7:06pm

The Meeting Minutes from 24 June were approved.

Member Reappointments:

Adam, Woody, Paul and Eitan need to submit their reappointment form. Eric will follow up with the absent members.

BOS Presentation on HPS/HUES Energy Project:

We reviewed Eric's presentation. Eric has some data on overall energy costs he wants to add. The presentation is now scheduled for the Sept. 9 BOS meeting at 7pm.

HES Electric Bill:

Eric reported that the installed eGauages have confirmed that the hot water heater is generating spikes that trigger demand charges. Efforts continue to find a way to control the operation of the hot water heater to reduce these spikes.

HBMS Greenhouse:

Eitan reported that the pedestal mount and solar panel installation is about ready for installation. He will let us know when the installation is scheduled and if any support is needed from HEC members.



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Old Home Days:

Our application for the HEC booth to include two spaces and electrical power is complete. We plan to have both Eric and Woody's EV cars on display. Paul's solar panel display and the bulb basher w/free LED replacement bulbs will also be set up. Mike will be contacting members about booth coverage times in the next week or two.

Street Light Project:

Todd reviewed a proposal from Affinity LED Lighting for both Hollis and Brookline that was very comprehensive. With the expected Eversource Incentives the estimated simple ROI for Hollis is 1 year and an ongoing annual savings of about \$13k. The net project cost to Hollis will be \$13,422. No other bids were received. The HEC members present unanimously supported the proposal. Todd will be submitting it to the BOS for funding approval.

Model Zoning Ordinance:

Decided there is no longer time to plan and gather public input for this year's budget cycle. We still need to schedule a special meeting to plan the campaign to put the issue to Hollis town residents. The goal of our initial meeting will be to define what we think is needed in the zoning ordinance to adequately support responsible and proactive use of ground mounted solar systems in the town of Hollis.

Street Light Project:

We took a group photo of the members present to update the HEC web page.

HEC Meeting Schedule:

Eric proposed that since the next scheduled HEC meeting falls on Labor Day (2 Sept) we move it to Tuesday, 3 Sept. at 12 noon. Further he suggests that the first Tuesday of the month at noon become the schedule going forward. A number of members have mentioned that meeting in the evening is difficult and going back to a day time meeting would be easier. He will canvas the other members about this.

Adjourned 7:52pm

Next Scheduled Meeting: 3 September 2019

Respectfully submitted, Mike Leavitt