



# Hollis NH Energy Committee

## 2022-05-12 Meeting Minutes (Final)

### Hollis Energy Committee meeting minutes 2022-05-12:

#### Attendees: ✓ present, R remote, X not present:

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| 1. ✓ Venu Rao (Chair)         | 6. ✓ Paul Armstrong (Select Board rep) |
| 2. ✓ Mike Leavitt (Secretary) | 7. X Eitan Zeira (alt)                 |
| 3. ✓ Paul Happy               | 8. X Lori Radke (Town Admin)           |
| 4. X Woody Hayes              | 9. X Joan Cudworth (DPW)               |
| 5. ✓ Adam Jacobs              | 10. ✓ Phillip Stephenson               |

Meeting started at 6:01 pm.

The Meeting Minutes from Feb 10th were approved.

**Steve Ettelson, Christina Marmonti, Albert Creto, David Johnson, & Jason Bridgeo were invited and attended the meeting. They have all submitted applications to join the HEC.**

#### Action Items:

- 1) Paul to ask Joanie about the status of the Library heating upgrade effort.
- 2) Paul to talk to Dawn about development of a utility to streamline collection of Town Hall energy data.
- 3) Phillip to research how state wide Community Power development is going.

#### Administrative Issue:

A Motion was presented to elect Venu as the Chairman of the Committee. The motion carried 4-0-1.

#### New Membership Applicants:

The five Hollis residents who have applied for HEC membership were introduced. All had been interviewed by current members in previous weeks and are considered excellent candidates. Venu explained however that we only have two alternate positions open at the moment. Venu has recommended that the committee picks Christina Marmonti and Steve Ettelson for those positions. The Committee approved Venu's recommendation 5-0-0

Venu went on to explain that given the interest and knowledge represented by the remaining candidates that we would like them to become part of a new outreach and advisory group to be constituted during a future meeting.

The Committee will be forwarding Christina's and Steve's names to the Selectmen for approval at an upcoming BOS meeting.

#### Data Input for Portfolio Manager:

Paul A. indicated that Town Hall personnel have said that there really isn't anyone available to collect the detailed energy data the committee is looking for. A lively discussion ensued around the value of this kind of data with examples of how it has already made for cost reductions at HPS and HUES. Paul H. suggested that there might be a way to collect the necessary data through a SW script linked to existing town systems. He will approach the town IT director Dawn about this possibility.

#### 2022 HEC Activity Ideas:

A discussion was had to consider ideas for HEC activities for the rest of the year. The new membership candidates were included here. The range of ideas included the ongoing efforts with Community Power and Municipal Energy Data Collection. Others included a review of potential municipal solar projects, energy efficiency and solar workshops for residents and an outreach effort to find out what energy issues are important to Hollis residents.

Adjourned 7:09 pm, Next Scheduled Meeting: 9 June 2022

**Respectfully submitted, Mike Leavitt**