

Hillsboro Energy Commission Approved Minutes
April 28th, 2022; **Bolded items are things to-do**

Meeting opened at 6:05 PM. Attendance: Brett Cherrington, Chairman; Jon Daley; Adam Charrette, Sue Durling

Secretary's report:

Minutes from April 14th, motion to approve as amended by Sue, seconded by Adam; 2 approved, 2 abstentions

Minutes from March 24th motion to approve as amended by Sue, seconded by Adam, 3 approved, 1 abstention.

Minutes from December 22nd motion to approve as amended by Sue, seconded by Adam, approved unanimously.

LED Street Lighting Contract

Affinity LED confirmed that the GIS field audit will happen on Tuesday, May 3rd, depending on the weather. **Brett will get in touch with them** so any members of the commission who are interested in joining will be able to.

Energy/Building Audits

Brett talked Rich Burns from Shakes to Shingles and Eversource is working on it and should get back to him within 10 days. Brett sent a lot of links this week via email. He noted that NHSaves.com has a municipal section and talked about numerous available incentives. They include services such as review of equipment eligibility, which could inform our equipment purchases in this weatherization project. Brett's main point is that there is a lot of potential funding at the state and federal levels, and so figuring out what is available and applying for the relevant grants is pivotal when trying to obtain more funding for our projects.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Brett talked with Kirby Ledvina from USDOT. Talked with her about the Charging Forward document and she created an invitation to schedule a 2 hour virtual meeting with us (and other appropriate parties in Hillsboro) about reviewing and improving that document and any questions and/or concerns that we have.

They have a Doodle scheduling app, and want to schedule the meeting before May 3rd. He will contact various town committees, and department heads to hopefully encourage them to send at one representative to the meeting.

Community Power

Brett sent some documents and links for grants and information. Meeting on May 9th hosted by the Community Power Task Force in Peterborough, Doris Drachman. **Commission members should sign up.**

What's Next/Upcoming

Brett is planning on going to the Selectboard to reiterate the current state of the climate/energy/etc. in the world.

We talked about the status of the Solar Project at the transfer station and if there is anything we can do (as far as we know, there isn't – just waiting for them to get parts to get it up and running).

Is there any other potential projects in town that we can look into? Wind?

Next meeting at May 12th at 6PM.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM by Sue, seconded by Adam.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Daley