

Hillsboro Energy Commission Approved Minutes
August 25th, 2022; **Bolded items are things to-do**

Meeting opened at 6:00 PM. Attendance: Brett Cherrington, Chairman; Adam Charrette, Vice-Chairman; Jon Daley; Sue Durling

Secretary's report:

Minutes from July 11th, motion to approve as amended by Sue, seconded by Adam; unanimously approved.

LED Street Lighting Project

Brett wasn't able to sync up with Laura but will continue to try. We discussed various lights and tree trimming that needs to take place to make the lights more efficient. Would Eversource trim branches around the lights? There will be a follow-up meeting with Affinity to discuss the problem lights, wiring, and finalizing the ledger, etc. **Adam will try to schedule the meeting at one of our regularly scheduled meetings.**

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

No update.

Dark Sky Committee

Adam gave an update about the current status of the Planning Board's committee. They are working on some public informational/educational events. The Planning Board's lighting ordinance is first priority and then they will work on the International Dark Sky Place designation.

Community Power

Sue is waiting for some minutes of the Public Utility Commission to see what they are up to. They still aren't published yet, so **she is going to try to contact the office to get a copy.** She has been following some Eversource and PUC actions. Eversource is trying to get a re-hearing on their latest increase in order to get it increased.

Weatherization Project

Jon forgot to invite Rich from Shakes to Shingles to this meeting until the last minute and so Rich wasn't available. Rich is scheduled to come to our next meeting.

Public Notices

Jon brought a draft of the PSA for the residential energy audit program. The commissioners discussed content and formatting. He'll add a QR code to it and submit it to the Messenger and Facebook community pages.

Motion to adjourn at 6:28 PM by Sue, seconded by Adam. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Daley

Public service announcement for residential energy audits:

Save money on heating bills and make your home more energy efficient!

Energy Audits and Weatherization Grant

There is money available to pay for improvements to your home for insulation, air sealing, etc that will lower your heating bills. Go to <https://energyaudit.nhsaves.com/> and answer the questions about your fuel usage to see if you qualify for up to \$6,000 to make your house more comfortable. The program is paid for by the “System Benefits Charge” that is on your electric bill each month.

