

Energy Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting, Bristol Public Library– Meeting Room #3
September 21, 2023 Meeting

PRESENT: Chairman Sean Dunn (Zoom), Commissioners Mark Dickau, Tom Ragaini, and Sheldon Scott (Zoom).

ABSENT: David Oakes, Facilities Manager

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Howe, City Council Liaison

1. Call to Order

Chairman Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes

- July 20, 2023 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Ragaini and seconded by Commissioner Dickau and it was unanimously voted to approve the July 20, 2023 minutes.

Motion passed.

4. Updates by Dave Oakes – Public Facilities & Energy Manager

Chairman Dunn provided a brief update on David Oakes' behalf.

- Dave is working with Resource Lighting & Energy staff and City staff regarding the presentation from the last meeting.
- The Sustainable CT application has been submitted. Dave has received some preliminary feedback and will update the Commission at the October meeting.
- The City is continuing to push for rebates. There are numerous projects going on that may qualify.

5. Energy Plan – Next Steps

- Review of Next Target Goals

Chairman Dunn is actively working with ECD and the Commission should be receiving an update from Justin Malley. The Commission will start working on the plan some time in November.

6. Energy Efficiency Fund Discussion

- Balance - \$30,836.58
- EEF Grants Update

Chairman Dunn notified the Commission that the checks were received/given to Rich Farms and Shepard Meadows. Rich Farms has several EV Charging Stations but they are looking to add more

however the EEF funds are being used for solar power. Shepard Meadows is looking to add a solar array in one of their fields.

Chairman Dunn has been in preliminary contact with ECD regarding two potential grant awardees (The American Clock & Watch Museum and the Carousel Museum).

Commissioner Scott suggested creating a program where businesses submit applications to the Commission for grants and they vote to award the funds. The Commission would need to check with the BOF to see how funds could be awarded outside of the EEF Grants.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Commissioner Ragaini seconded by Commissioner Dickau "To adjourn". Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

*Lindsey Schaffrick
Recording Secretary*