



Pueblo Energy Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 19 | 4 – 5:15 PM

Zoom

Attendance					
	Larry Atencio	✓	Martin Adams	✓	John Vigil
✓	Laura Getts	✓	Kenneth Danti		Monica Younger
	Adam Haman		Gregory George	✓	Scott Hobson, Staff
✓	Allison Kipple	✓	Edgie Walrath, Vice Chair	✓	Alyssa Parga, Staff
✓	Joshua Montelongo	✓	Joe Waneka	✓	Dan Kogovsek, Staff
	Tyler Surat	✓	Steve Nawrocki, Chair		

1. Call to Order & Updates, Chair Steve Nawrocki

Steve Nawrocki began the meeting at 4:05 pmand introduced Scott Hobson. He asked Scott to give an overview of his time with the city and energy projects.

2. Introduce Scott Hobson

Scott Hobson has been with city for 22 years. Scott gave an overview of energy efficiencies from past years - 2010 city began working with state energy office and received funding to do an energy audit of existing city buildings (200+) and contracted with Johnson controls for the audit. They completed it in 2010-2011 and gave the city a report of "low hanging fruit".

We are now 12 years into that, we had showed yearly reports of meeting or exceeding efficiency measures consistently. In 2014, they did another evaluation, but the city manager chose not to implement phase 2.

BHE and Grid Alternatives have helped the city with a community solar project to reduce energy consumption on housing authority projects and a second community solar garden project is in the works with the same group. The parking garages are now powered by solar.

Emphasis by Mayor on purchasing of electric fleet vehicles and buses for transit - to begin 2022. How to establish charging stations is a current topic. Past projects include changing all City streetlights, traffic signals, and walk signals to LED.

3. Review of City Council Work Session

4. Committee Reports & Set Standing Meeting Times

Subcommittees haven't met this year. They are encouraged to set a standing meeting time and report it to the group.

5. Roundtable Discussion

Edgie asked if any city staff is trained and tasked with energy oversight? Scott said not a specific person assigned by job title but the facility manager is knowledgeable. Departments handle this differently, wastewater installed pumps to this effect, etc. we can follow up on this.

Ken asked- what benefits of phase 2 did not make the cut? and payback period? Scott said he can look for Johnson controls report, remembers it was significant infrastructure upgrades, not small things like lights. Ken asked how to make this happen. Scott said under direction of the mayor this could be investigated and implemented. He mentioned working with Tesla and Urban Renewal for charging stations on Main Street.

Ken asked how can this commission best support the city in this endeavor? Can the city request the Commission's help?

Laura Getts will be sending a letter of support soon to the Mayor's Office and Scott Hobson in hopes the Mayor will sign to help equality efforts of winterization within Pueblo County.

6. Suggestions for next meeting, Chair Steve Nawrocki

The Commission will now meet on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays on zoom starting on February 2nd. Alyssa will send a calendar invitation.

The next meeting will include a high-level presentation from Ken D. (15 mins). John Vigil will be assigned to give reports to this group from the County Commissioner's energy advisory group.

7. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm.