

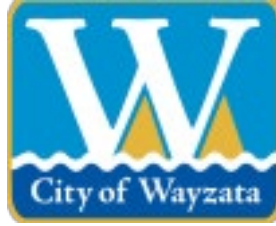


ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

**Wayzata City Hall
600 Rice Street East
Wayzata, MN 55391**

1. Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve April 28, 2026 Meeting Minutes
4. County Tree Planting Review
5. All Electric Event Planning – Saturday, July 18
6. [Resilience Plan](#) Discussion
7. Next Meeting – Tuesday, June 23
8. Adjournment



ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 28, 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

1. Roll Call

Committee Attendees: Chair Lauren Lindelof, David Ferri, Meaghan Yorro, and Cam Bentrott.

Wayzata City Staff Member: Nick Kieser, Parks and Environment Planner

2. Introductions

The new member of the Energy and Environment Committee, Cam Bentrott, introduced himself and his reasoning for joining the Committee.

3. Approve Agenda

Motion to approve agenda, first by Chute, seconded by Ferri. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Approve March 31, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve minutes, first by Lindelof and seconded by Ferri. Motion passed 4-0.

5. Member Recruitment

Staff reported that information regarding Committee vacancies continues to be published in the Wayzata Weekly. An informational brochure about the Committee has been included in the agenda packet and may be distributed to individuals who express interest in joining.

6. County Tree Planting

Staff announced that Hennepin County will host a tree planting event on Monday, May 11, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Community members are encouraged to volunteer. Staff will provide additional details regarding the species and quantity of trees to be planted.

Chair Lindelof noted the opportunity to involve student volunteers and will contact the Wayzata High School volunteer group to gauge interest.

7. Home Energy Squad Discount Renewal

Staff explained that the City has historically partnered with the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) to offer discounted Home Energy Squad visits to residents. CEE has notified staff that the current agreement has expired and inquired whether the City wishes to renew the program.

The Committee discussed the value of continuing the program, citing positive personal experiences and community benefits. The standard cost of a visit is \$100, which is reduced to \$50 under the program. Staff reported that 20 discounted visits were utilized in 2025 and 10 have been completed to date in 2026.

Motion to approve the discounted rates by Ferri, seconded by Bentrutt. Approved unanimously.

8. All Electric Event Planning

Chair Lindelof reported that she has contacted Lisa Thurtin of the American Lung Association (ALA) regarding assistance with a potential electric vehicle (EV) event this summer. Based on Ms. Thurtin's availability, the Committee agreed to schedule the event for Saturday, July 18.

The Committee discussed potential event components, including electric vehicles, electric bicycles, electric boat motors, electric yard equipment, and electric scooters. Chair Lindelof also noted that an environmentally focused landscaping company using fully electric equipment may be interested in participating and offering a complimentary year of service as a promotional item. She will follow up with the company to confirm interest and availability.

The Committee emphasized the importance of including educational content, particularly a comparison of the performance, advantages, and limitations of electric versus gasoline-powered vehicles.

The inclusion of electric boat motors was also discussed, with emphasis on their environmental benefits, including improved water quality.

Staff and Chair Lindelof will coordinate with the ALA to confirm the event date and proceed with planning.

9. Resilience Plan Discussion

Staff reported that the City Council workshop originally scheduled for June 16 to discuss the Dark Sky initiative and EV municipal fleet transition needs to be rescheduled due to staff availability. Staff will provide updates once a new date is confirmed.

The Dark Sky initiative discussion is expected to include topics such as lighting improvements at Klapprich Park, potential amendments to the City's outdoor lighting code, and broader municipal lighting upgrades to meet Dark Sky standards.

Discussion of the EV municipal fleet transition will include planning for EV infrastructure at the Public Works facility. Staff is currently obtaining cost estimates for this work. The Committee will also present the benefits of fleet electrification to the City Council.

Additionally, staff introduced a proposal to replace waste receptacles in the Community Room with clearer, more user-friendly options for trash, recycling, and organics. A list of potential receptacles was included in the agenda packet. The Committee requested additional time to review options and explore more cost-effective alternatives.

7. Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 26

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, first by Lindelof, seconded by Ferri. Motion passed unanimously.

Wayzata Energy and Environment Committee

2026 Schedule for Taking Meeting Minutes

Date	Committee Member
January 27	Staff
February 26	Ferri
March 31	Yorro
April 28	Chute
May 26	Lindelof
June 23	Ferri
July 28	Yorro
August 25	Chute
September 22	Bentrott
October 27	Lindelof
November 24	Ferri

Waste Container Options

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

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