

I reported 2 adjacent trees (one was snapped off at its trunk) dangerously leaning on wires, ready to fall, and dangling over a street. I called every single day to report this and nothing happened until I called the 1st Selectman's office and cornered a supervisor. The maddening thing was that for 2 days, tree trucks from New Hampshire were parked on my road for hours doing nothing. They said they were waiting for work orders and just hanging out. They couldn't remove the 2 trees on Bennetts Bridge because they couldn't get Eversource to turn the power off to the lines.

The trees remained on a live power line for over a week. The worst part was a tree removal truck from NH was looking at the trees and stopped someone who could turn off the power. The man looked up, said "Trees on the lines. A beautiful site", and drove off.

That's when I called Dan Rosenthals' office (Newtown 1st Selectman) and I managed to stop a supervisors and told him about the "trees on a wire" remark. It might have been that supervisor because he looked rather sheepish, and the trees were removed the next day. I told him I would testify at any victim's family who was suing Eversource for the tree falling on a family member.

All Eversource did was place back the dangling conductor (?) after 6 days without my neighborhood having power, without removing the trees. They could have done that 6 days sooner if they weren't going to remove the trees.

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