## WALLINGFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE Approved Minutes for April 2, 2024 Meeting 5:30 PM in person First floor of Town Hall

Present: Ken Welch, Ralph Nimtz, Doug Blodgett, Jay White, Tom Fort

- Minutes from the 2/6/24 Energy Committee meeting were approved.
- Yearly Reorganization
  - David Castonguay was elected Chair.
  - Jay White was elected Vice-Chair.
  - Meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM in the Town Hall (first floor).
- Town Solar Array
  - A grant application has been submitted to the Vermont Sustainable Energy for Schools and Municipalities Program to fund a solar array for the Town Garage.
  - Green Earth Energy's estimate of \$79k was used for purposes of the grant application. This would require an \$11k municipality co-pay.
  - Based on current town electricity usage, the array would have a break even point of 3.2 years.
- Town Hall Heat Pumps
  - o Final draft of the RFP has been written.
  - o Compressors will be covered by overhangs to protect them from the weather.
  - Preliminary estimate is approximately \$30k.
  - o Ken will communicate to Selectboard and attend Pre-bid meetings if needed.
  - Ralph and Jay will discuss potential air-to-water heat pump upgrade options with Dan Dupras (Engineering Services of Vermont).
- The meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.
- The next Energy Committee meeting will be held at 5:30pm on 5/7/24.