**Meeting Minutes** *(approved 5/30/18, 5-0)*

**Energy and Climate Committee**

**Wednesday, March 21, 2018 7:30pm
Board of Selectmen’s Hearing Room**

**Members present**: Tom Sciacca, Ellen Tohn, Harvey Michaels

**Associate members present:** John Harper

**Ex-Officio member present:** Ben Keefe

**Project Updates (BK):**

Discussion ensued around ways Committee members could help move projects forward.

* *Streetlights:* BK to work with BH on getting the paperwork from Eversource.
* *Town Building lighting:* Contract approved; work to occur this spring
* *Bus Hybrid Conversion:* TS will follow up after BK arranges procurement; BK will have more time after TM. HM noted that VW settlement funds going to school buses may lead to future price drops, and that Concord is exploring procurement of electric/hybrid buses. HM suggests bus procurement be put on the agenda for the next meeting.
* *Middle School Resiliency Grant:* JH working with BK to help Ameresco secure Eversource approval of project design.
* *Town Building HVAC Upgrade:* Article set as #23 in the TM warrant. The committee discussed the article, noted that the work was deferred from the earlier ESCO works, and noted that the new systems will improve the energy efficiency of the Town Building. ET moved, and TS seconded, the following resolution:

*The Energy & Climate Committee urges a yes vote on article #23 to fund HVAC improvements at the Town Building, as such improvements will result in reduced energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, and as such are consistent with Wayland’s goals as a Massachusetts-designated Green Community.*

Vote 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

**TM Warrant Resolution: Energy & Carbon Savings in Municipal Building Construction**

Resolution set as article 22 in the TM warrant. Likely to come up either at the end of the second night of TM or early on the third night. ET will make the initial remarks supporting the resolution. ET has asked MAPC if they have information on net zero resolutions/actions by other towns.

**Other Updates:**

* *Solarize:* BK reports that Wayland did well. He and the committee noted that Kaat Vander Straeten, Wayland’s Solarize coordinator, deserves much credit. 138 Wayland homes expressed interest in PV. 27 systems were installed aggregating 224 kilowatts (kW). 94 Wayland homes expressed interest in solar hot water (SHW) installations, with 15 SHW systems installed comprising 1,208 square feet. Along with Lincoln and Sudbury, the three towns installed 407kW of solar arrays and 2,150sqft of SHW systems.
* *Library Project:* Warrant article included in the TM warrant.

**MAPC Grant Funds & Energize Conference call**

ET to arrange for MAPC to come to the next committee meeting (scheduled for 5/2) to review pending grant opportunities, and potential for MAPC to help mobilize hybrid/electric school bus procurement.

**Miscellaneous**

Next Meeting scheduled for 5/2/2018

Meeting minutes from 2/15/18 approved 3-0.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.**

**Minutes taken by JH**