

Wallingford Energy Committee
Draft Minutes for Tuesday, June 2, 2026
5:30 PM at 75 School Street
Wallingford VT Town Hall

Members Present: D. Blodgett, K. Welch, J. White, T. Fort
Others Present: G. Mayer (Selectboard Liaison)

Additions/Deletions to Agenda - None

Approve Minutes of May 5th Meeting - Unanimously approved

Public Comments - None

Town Solar Array

- Federal tax credits - A Constituent Advocate in Senator Sanders' office was contacted to help navigate receipt of federal tax credits from IRS. The Town Clerk has provided him with the relevant documentation.
- Conduit on garage - The solar array electrical conduit on the west side of Town Garage has become partially detached from the building (possibly during last winter's snow storms). Green Earth Energy will be contacted to repair it with the goal being to ensure it can withstand snow falling from the roof.

Town Hall Windows and Doors

- Interior sealing estimates - Ken spoke with Solsaa Building and Energy Solutions regarding window sealing. Solsaa will coordinate time/date for a Town Hall visit with Ken and the Town Administrator for the purpose of estimating costs.
- Window grants - VT Historic Preservation offers 50/50 grants for up to \$20k. The next round of applications will be announced in August with applications due in October. They prioritize restoration of existing windows over replacement with new windows. Anne Awad is looking into other grants for window replacement.
- Open door alarm - The open door alarm could not be installed at the back door of the Town Hall due to the metal trim associated with the weatherstripping, which prevented achieving the required spacing between the alarm transmitter and receiver. However, it was discovered that the door closure device could be adjusted to help ensure that the door closes properly. The necessary tools will be brought to the next EC meeting in July to make the adjustments.

EV Charging Station

- Information on the VTrans EV Charging program was provided to the Family Dollar corporate Real Estate Office but we have not yet received confirmation on whether they will utilize the program in support of new chargers for the Wallingford store. The program was also discussed with the Wallingford store manager and she will try to identify best contact at corporate level.

Wallingford Day EV Display

- John Armstrong has coordinated the Wallingford Day EV display for years. Unfortunately, he may not be available to participate this year. Tom will contact the Wallingford Day Committee Chair on behalf of the EC to ensure that the EV display continues. Inclusion of E-bike and E-lawn tools will be considered.

Municipal Building Energy Assessments

- Glenn will contact the Road Commissioner and/or Road Crew Manager to identify potential times for a walk through of the Town Garage with a focus on meeting current and future road crew needs, increasing efficiency, and reducing costs. A rainy day would most likely be best as it would increase the chance of discussing any specific needs or challenges with more members of the crew.

Efficiency Vermont Home Performance Program changes

- Efficiency Vermont rebates for low-income households will be reduced from 90% to 75% of eligible costs on 7/1/2026. Projects must be pre-approved by 6/30/2026 for a customer to be eligible for the current rebate levels. Once pre-approved, the rebate will be “locked in” for 6 months.
- Single-Family Homes:
 - Low- and moderate-income households: 75% of total eligible project costs, up to \$7,000 per building
 - High-income households: 75% of total eligible costs, up to \$2,000 per building
- Rental Properties:
 - Low- and moderate-income rental units: 75% of total eligible costs, up to \$7,000 per unit
 - High-income rental units: 75% of total eligible costs, up to \$2,000 per building
 - The application process can be found on Efficiency Vermont’s website.

New business from the floor - None

Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

The next meeting will be 5:30pm at Town Hall on July 7, 2026.