Time and Location: June 17, 2025, at 40 Beaver Street Members in attendance and constituting a quorum were: Bob Bois, Jessica Roberts, Gary Carver, Marshall Dix and Scott Moore Members Absent: Keith Johnson Others Present: none

## **Proceedings:**

- Chairperson Bois called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.
- The April 15, 2025, minutes were approved with an amendment from Bois (motion by Carver, seconded by Moore, all in favor).
- Roberts and Carver raised a discussion on perceived increased involvement in Window Dressers (W/D). The board will take a larger role this year, with a leadership review in October. Bois noted the Rotary and Dennis Harold are handling measurements, but WEC must boost outreach (e.g., acquiring clients, tabling at events). Bois would be taking on the coordinator role with Benington.. Roberts moved to confirm board members' commitment to expanded outreach and the October build support; Dix seconded, all in favor.
- Members updated on new clients and potential volunteer/sponsor organizations (e.g., Lions Club, Community Cares, Twice Blessed). Roberts is engaging developers and landlords to involve low-income renters in W/D. Town Hall windows that were not recently replaced will be signed up for W/D by Roberts, and serve as a valuable training ground for the measuring team, with Town Manager, Scott Tucker's, support.
- Bois and Moore led a discussion on the Solar Project at the Public Safety Facility. Dix raised valuable questions regarding grid connection with GMP, the veracity of the proposed \$1M savings estimate over 25 years (with Carver's 80% decay rate concern), and missing catwalks in the graphic. The project, costing around \$200K with program discounts, was deemed beneficial long-term. Bois and Moore will verify catwalk inclusion; Bois will explore additional funding (e.g., Solar for All, Efficiency Vermont). Moore wants to avoid using his capital fund. Carver moved to present the solar proposal to Scott Tucker, with WEC support pending resolution of concerns; Moore seconded, all in favor.
- Carver discussed energy tracking, anticipating Johnson's next report. Carver will research state Energy Burden reports for WEC use.
- Roberts shared updates on newly passed Vermont bills (S.127, S.50), raising permitted household solar from 15 kW to 25 kW, benefiting small homes/businesses. Concerns remain about GMP grid access, but increased solar use and easier state permitting were viewed positively.
- Bois moved to adjourn, seconded by Moore, all in favor.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Jessica Roberts