Town of Barre Public Hearing/Battery Energy Storage Systems August 11, 2021

Present: Supervisor Sean Pogue Councilman Lynn Hill Councilman Tom McCabe Councilman Kerri Richardson Councilman Margaret Swan Others present: Maureen Beach; Town Clerk, Lee Preston, Supervisor Bookkeeper, Kirk Mathes, Scott Burnside, Gary Palmer, Adam Wingard, Amy O'Brien

Supervisor Pogue called the public hearing to order at 6:00pm

Supervisor Pogue read the Legal Notice that was published in the Batavia Daily News.

Supervisor Pogue discussed the reason for the meeting: to discuss the proposed law to regulate the citing and safe operation of battery energy storage systems within the Town of Barre, used in connection with alternative energy systems, including but not limited to, solar arrays.

Gary Palmer stated that the law is somewhat weak, needs to be more strict regarding fire fighting issues. Mr. Pogue stated that a copy has been given to Orleans County Emergency Management.

Kerri Richardson asked if there are any other projects in New York State. Kirk Mathes stated yes, north of Albany. Sean Pogue stated that there is one in a small town near Warsaw.

Lynn Hill made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing, seconded by Tom McCabe seconded.

Special Meeting was closed at 6:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Beach, Town Clerk