Sharon Energy and Environment Commission Meeting Minutes 5:00 PM, September 8, 2022 Sharon Town Hall

Present: L. Mattoon, J. Dudek, K. Kinsolving, R. Liddell, M. Nadeau, D. Rick. Absent: O. Martinez.

- 1. **Minutes of August 11 meeting**: A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Doug to approve the minutes of the August 11 meeting. All voted in favor of approving.
- 2. **General:** Lyn suggested that SEEC plan an event for the town to introduce everyone to the work of SEEC and other commissions. There was a brief discussion of an event currently being organized by Sharon Audubon and Sharon Land Trust which is scheduled for September 25 at LionRock Farm. Katy mentioned that Cornwall Conservation Trust and Cornwall Garden Club had contacted her about a Food Waste event for Spring 2023.
- 3. **Parking Lot Update:** Mike presented drawings for a bioswale/rain garden to the Selectmen. Selectmen all but ignored Mike's input, but they agreed to send his drawings along with the other information on the parking lot to Historic District Commission and P&Z.
 - SEEC members will attend the Historic District Commission meeting 9/26 at 5:30 and the P&Z meeting on 9/14 at 5:30.
- 4. **Solar Update**. Doug reached out to Emily at Green Bank to discuss the possibility of increasing size of array now that there are electricity based mini-splits at school. Emily is researching the feasibility of this.
- 5. Lyn suggested that SEEC get a Terracyle collection box in Sharon for single use plastic and film plastic. <u>https://www.terracycle.com/en-US/</u> All agreed to consider this idea.
- 6. There was a discussion about finding ways to promote the work of SEEC through local media channels such as *The Lakeville Journal* and Robin Hood Radio. Lyn would like to identify a program for getting more people to sign up to the Food Waste Program at the Transfer Station.
- 7. Newsletter: For the next Newsletter, Katy will focus on
 - a. Jan's list of sustainable household items
 - b. Food Waste Program
 - c. Where to recycle what, including a link to the posts on the website of Center for Science in the Public Interest.
- 8. All voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Next SEEC meeting is October 13, 2022.