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Sharon Energy and Environment Commission Meeting Agenda December 8, 2022 At 5:00 PM in the Sharon Town Hall

Present: Lyn Mattoon, Jan Dudek, Katy Kinsolving, Roger Liddell, Oscar Martinez, Mike Nadeau, Doug Rick.

1. **Minutes**. Oscar moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2022 meeting. Jan seconded the motion and all approved.

2. Parking Lot

Mike reported on his correspondence with Casey and Selectmen following his "site visit" and the ensuing engineer's report which disregarded Mike's suggestions. Mike wrote the Selectmen in response to the Engineer's report. The Selectmen have not yet responded. Mike and Lyn to attend the next Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday, December 13, at 3 pm.

3. Update on solar field

The CT Green Bank has selected a firm called <u>Verogy</u> to do the solar installation for Sharon Center School. Verogy has experience doing solar installation at schools. Kyle Perry, Verogy engineer, will send installation specifications to P&Z and other town commissions and take care of all permitting for the solar array. There will be a site visit soon which Doug will attend. Current schedule: the construction plans will be done by January, the permitting will take place in March, and construction in August. Solar array will be turned on by end of 2023.

- 4. **Home energy audits for fuel assisted homes**: Lyn confirmed that those asking for fuel assistance from the town are given an option to ask for a home energy audit. Some people don't sign up for this (mostly those renting), and others don't want to be alone in the house for the audit. Lyn suggested that SEEC offer to send a SEEC representative to the homes of those for whom being alone is a barrier to a Home Energy Audit.
- 5. **Enlarging commission**. Lyn discussed the process for enlarging the membership of SEEC. All agreed that SEEC should be expanded up to 9 people with terms of 3 years each (up from 7 people with terms of 2 years each). Lyn will now begin the process of getting this on the Town Meeting calendars etc.
- 6. **White Hollow Road**. There was a discussion regarding the landowner who is spraying pesticides on adjacent town property. Anything 25 feet from middle of the road, is property of the town. SEEC members will go measure herbicide spraying across the road from Joseph Church's property. Mike and Oscar will go and talk to the landowner.

- 7. **2023 calendar**: Beginning in 2023, SEEC meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.
- 8. **Newsletter**. There was a discussion of ideas for the newsletter,
- 9. Jan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Oscar seconded. All voted to adjourn the meeting.

NOTE: The next meeting will be January 4, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Katy Kinsolving Recording Secretary