

## **Sharon Energy Committee Meeting**

Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 06:00 PM

[Outside of the] Sharon Town Office

15 School Street, Sharon VT 05065

2025-07-28 18:00

***This meeting was held in-person and through teleconference in compliance with the Vermont Open Meeting Law with electronic participation.***

Present at the Town Office: Dee Gish (EC), Ryan Haac (EC, Chair), and Jill Wilcox.

Ryan called the meeting together at 18:12 (6:12 PM).

### **1. Public Comment Period**

No comments

### **2. Approve previous meeting minutes**

Dee made a motion to approve the minutes from the prior meeting with minor corrections to the dates (2025-01-27 18:00). Ryan seconded.

### **3. Shared Energy Coordinator updates**

Ryan provided the following updates and information from the SEC group:

The Vermiculite remediation project at the Town Office that Henry helped initiate is currently ongoing and nearly complete.

Henry also performed a village sidewalk inventory for the Town to use toward future VTrans grant cycles and is well positioned to help with details in the Town Garage plan.

An in person meeting of the Steering Committee is planned for August at Lake Morey; Fairlee just joined the group.

Ongoing updates and adjustments to the E3 guide<sup>1</sup> have been ongoing as federal funding setbacks become clear. We discussed that one way to ensure folks in Sharon know about these funding sources still available is by actively sharing it through existing lines of communication such as the listserv.

We discussed having Harry look into the options for financing and power purchase agreements for putting solar PV on the roof at the Elementary School.

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<sup>1</sup>Electrification & Energy Efficiency (E3) Guide for Individuals  
<https://www.trorc.org/programs/energy/sec/e3/>

4. **Upper Valley e-bike Lending Library Planning Update**

The bikes are slated to be in Sharon for a week at the end of August (8/21 to 8/26) with a few borrowing periods. The schedule the bikes were available did not coincide with school to do demo days – we might just forgo that this year or potentially get the bikes in September instead.

5. **WindowDressers Planning Update**

Sign-ups for inserts are nearly complete and the stage is set for doing the build at the Sharon Congregational Church in early October (10/2 to 10/8). Ryan will finish measuring through August and Dee is going to help coordinate food for volunteers at the build. We may need some help with volunteers during the shift and for bringing food to feed the builders.

6. **Continue Discussion Regarding Committee Direction, Name, and Scope**

We discussed ideas for how to increase hyper local awareness of overly opportunistic (“invasive”) plants, expectations around a future of sustained volatility, and indoor/outdoor air quality concerns.

7. **Updates on Actions, Goals, and Initiatives**

Ryan noted that he achieved one of his personal goals of hosting a radio show on 96.5 FM (WFVR). The show is called Rutas Argentinas and is broadcast every other Friday at 10 AM.

8. **Other Business**

None discussed.

9. The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Dee made a motion to adjourn. Jill seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:02 (7:02 PM).