**Town of Sharon**

**Municipal Solar Oversight Committee**

**Minutes for 5/09/2022 meeting held on Zoom 4:30 pm**

**Welcome**

Committee Attendees: George Aronson (Chair), Xander Shapiro, Rob Maidman, Silas Fyler (4/6)

Guest Attendees: None

**Minutes**

Draft minutes for meeting on 3/21/2022 approved by vote of 4-0

Draft minutes for meeting on 4/11/2022 approved by vote of 4-0 (fix typo in meeting date on draft)

**Mountain Street Landfill Project update**

* DSD has agreed to install a 7-foot deer fence with wooden posts instead of a metal chain-link fence
* DSD would add slats to screen the Gap as visual mitigation on the Greenstein property. DSD will be asked to update their response to the Greensteins accordingly
* Xander had spoken with the other abutters previously. The proposed mitigations should be deemed acceptable based on feedback to date
* George will contact DSD regarding status of price adjustments per Site Lease Schedules 1 and 2
* DSD advises that the Eversource study is anticipated for early June. DSD will advise the Committee on its receipt and identify and impacts on the proposed Site Lease and mitigation
* The Committee will plan to meet on June 13 to review an amended Site lease and to report to the Select Board on recommendations regarding approval of the revised Site Plan for inclusion in the Site Lease. The Select Board is scheduled to meet on June 21

**Updates on solar PV projects in progress**

High School PV project

* Area for location of battery being modified with Solect and Standing Building Committee
* George working with Fred T and Rick Holland of KP Law on modification to the Site Lease and PPA, Meeting with Matt Shortsleeve set for Wednesday morning. George will ask about potential price increase impacts

Heights battery project

* Switchgear delivery is delayed to the fall. Solect/Enel X are coordinating with timing of installation of other components over the summer to be ready when switchgear is delivered

**Planning for next projects**

Pond Street parking lot/Ames Street playground

* Xander met with the Rec Advisory Committee which is supportive but has three concerns
  + Canopies must be tall enough for DPW vehicles to access the field
  + Concerned with loss of parking spaces
  + Can it not be ugly? Concerned with “industrial look”

Middle School and Well #5 - waiting for response from Solect with updated site plans to reflect comments from last meeting

Proposed new Town Library – panels would go on central flat portion of roof. Building project delayed by two lawsuits at Land Court. Also, original Town appropriation is now short by ~$1.49 million; and grant is at risk from delays

Well #2 – DPW working on water treatment building that might include solar PV on the roof

**Group discussion and topics**

* Update of solar provisions in zoning code – per advice of Rob M., on hold until courts resolve pending cases regarding solar zoning elsewhere. Will resume consideration when the courts provide guidance
* Next meeting date set for June 13, 2022

**Adjourn**