

TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Thursday, October 20, 2022

Town Meeting Room and electronic

Northeast Harbor

Members Present: Phil Lichtenstein, Chair Dennis Shubert Kathy Miller Sarah March Gordon Beck John McCauley Johanna Blackman Rosemary Matchak Troy Julian

- 1. The minutes of June 16th were distributed during the meeting and await approval at next meeting
- 2. The Chair announced the retirement of the public works director, Tony Smith and thank him for his past and ongoing support of the Town's sustainability efforts. Apparently, Tony will continue to be involved as a consultant to the Town and as a resident.
- 3. Troy Julian, COA student presently residing in NEH, was welcomed to the committee.
- 4. The Climate Task Force meets today. Johanna listed the ongoing projects and opportunities.
- 5. The Main St EV charger is apparently one month away from being commissioned. A discussion ensued about future locations and charger management. The Community Resilience money for EV chargers also has a requirement that EV chargers should be installed at locations that support use by year-round residents and resident who would not have access to an at home charger. Property renters are an example of who might benefit from Town chargers. The point was made that the committee supports a process to choose locations so that many aspects can be considered. Chargers need to be installed by year end 2023 Potential TMD sites that were not immediately rejected by discussion include the Seal Harbor parking lot north of "downtown" and the Somesville Fire Station. The group also discussed EV charger

management: policy for setting energy charge, policy for preventing abuse by prolonged charging sessions and Town's philosophy for the role of EV chargers in fulfilling economic development and sustainability.

6. The Chair updated the group on the opportunities to the Town provided by the Community Resilience Partnership Grant and Efficiency Maine Trust for scoping audits.

Month	Session	Income
July	33	\$298.55
August	135	\$537.04 Highest use
		since install
September	25	\$247.74
October	13	\$67.6726

7. NEH Marina charger stats:

The next meeting for the Sustainability Committee is November 17th at 4:30 pm.