



## **MINUTES OF SUSTAINABLE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, June 17, 2021  
10:00 a.m. (Virtual Meeting)

Those present: John Kiker, Gavin Lodge, Susan Hessel, Cynthia Willauer, Liz Frankel, Sarah Crisp, Diana Fiske, Wendolyn Hill, Jim Miller.

Guests: Sofia DiNatale, Megan Schweickert.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM.

The minutes of the April 29<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

### **Organizational Matters**

- Two new interns – university students from UConn and University of New Haven – were introduced and will assist with writing up committee actions.
- Gavin and John will update the master spreadsheet to show what actions committee members are working on and number of points being pursued/obtained.
- All actions must be approved by the whole committee before they are presented to the Board of Selectmen.

### **Action Updates**

- Communications: Action 8.2 (town communications) is done. Wendy has written up additional actions that should qualify for 40 points. Work is underway on invasive species and watershed communications.
- Local Economy: List of businesses completed and mapped. This action will focus on retailers, pop ups, cultural locations and contractors.
- Arts Programming: Action is complete and has been launched (Lyme Creative Arts). Equity toolkit was used to put this program together. Local businesses and nonprofits have welcomed the marketing support. Liz and Cheryl are writing up the final report. Need to promote program to middle and high school families.
- Renewable Energy: Mapping of energy use and facilities is done. Discussions being pursued regarding solar fields for town garage, transfer station and the old landfill.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.