

Minutes of the Conservation Advisory Council, Shandaken, NY     March 20, 2023

In attendance: Bethia Waterman, Bruce Barry, M J Reiss, Caleb Frank, Mary Herrmann, Mark Loete, Peter Di Sclafani, Catherine del Tufo

Pledge of allegiance: 6:35 pm

Minutes of previous meeting accepted by Bruce Barry and seconded by MJ Reiss

Old Business

Ulster Savings Bank table is still remaining

New Business

Pine Hill Community Center: Farmer's Market (Beth and MJ) local composting initiative

Beth reviews Ulster Co Climate adaptation map and interactive tool kit

MJ discusses law changes and funding within the ComprehensivePlan Committee

Shandaken Town Code Enforcement Officer, Donna La Momte attended committee meeting

Resulting in 5 points for Shandaken towards Bronze status with Climate Smart Communities

Next month, new points accrued will be discussed

Mary Herrmann reports the 2 upcoming compost informational programs at the Pine Hill CC

April 17 (Introduction to...)

May 9 (advanced composting)

and

UCRRA compost bin and rain barrel sale May 20

New grant for composting to be submitted to O'Connor Foundation for household compost program funds

Bruce Barry informs regarding the U Green webinar regarding funding/plans for EV chargers

Contacts with other EV charging providers

Beth, Caleb, MJ, and Angel met with the GOPAC (Government Opportunities Climate Action Plan) and the Shandaken Highway superintendent (E Hoffmeister) regarding town vehicle energy consumption.

Pollinator pathway, new rail trail initiative, 4th of July parade raised as future subjects

Next meeting: April 17, 2023

Meeting adjourns 7:46

Bruce Barry adjourns

MJ Reiss seconds