

Town of Shandaken, NY CAC minutes for December 16, 2024

Members present: Beth Waterman, Maya Lilly, Rob Cruickshank, Catherine del Tufo
Michael Cioffi and Angel Molina via zoom
Guest Andrew Messinger

6:34 pm Pledge of allegiance

Minutes for October approved by A Molina and seconded by M Lilly

B Waterman reviews list of CAC accomplishments during the year 2024 followed by thanks to all who assisted the CAC with these endeavors.

Woodstock's CAC public reports are mentioned as a possibility for Shandaken to create as well

Committee Reports

R Cruickshank explains the solar mapping tool and 4 instructional zoom classes. The use of this tool will allow best siting practice for large solar installations. The lessons were offered by Scenic Hudson. (RC, ML, CD attended)

NYSERDA campaigns are officially closed but Shandaken received a total of \$112,500 for green energy projects. (electric lawn equipment, ev chargers, heat pumps, electric vehicle)

Recycling Center totals for 2024 (until October) and affiliated signage for public display (BW)

Comprehensive Plan will do a survey in January for public comment (BW)

NRI waiting for grant information (BW)

Priorities for 2025: discussion includes mention of R Drake email, updating previous documentation, Community Climate Action Plan, NRI, energy audits and renewable installs on town buildings, disaster preparedness, dark sky initiatives, and attaining Silver from CSC

Guest A Messinger speaks of 3 concerns

Wetland preservation and Shandaken permitting regulations or lack thereof

Pine Hill Water District safety issues

ORDA environmental impacts and safety issues

More discussion looking to 2025

7:35 motion to adjourn R Cruickshank, seconded by A Molina