

CAC minutes June 20,2022 6:30 PM

Roll Call Present

Approval of Minutes - Thanks Mike - great job

Bethia Waterman, MJ Reiss, Bruce Barry, Catherine Del Tufo, Angel Molina, John Michelotti, Mary Herrman, Mike Cioffi,

Guest speaker : Kevin VanBlarcum

Solar Project at Pine Hill Solar Design by the end of the Summer/Early Fall

Solar Projects around the state

Ameresco - City Municipal

Planning Board Issue

July Workshop

Re-Addressing the Zoning Code? - this might be a time to do this

Question - How to become a "Climate Smart Community?"

Earning points- Installation of LED lights - we filled out a form & submitted

We now have 1 Action = 700 points (7 pts?)

There is an Olive Town CAC meeting - 5 members and each handled a different project

They applied for a Bronze Level and can we piggyback on by following their lead?

Climate Efficiency worksheet.

Sean Walsh (sp?) A man from Cornell presented at the Olive meeting ; gave an in person workshop to raise energy efficiency in residential buildings. If the envelope of your house is not tight, you need to improve the envelope before you think of other modifications

3 levels of programs for individuals

NYSERDA - Clean Energy - Community

Climate Smart Community - State designation

The way you accumulate points is different for each of those organizations

Free energy Audit to achieve improved energy efficiency

First step is to fill out Home energy assessment is free- need to fill out application

1. If we invited people to introduce to the public; could pull in the community to do this
2. Partner with the library to increase awareness
3. Train the trainers , who can go help people fill out the forms
4. Where can we promote free energy audits - Library, Farmer's Market, Ulster Savings Bank, July 4th table

Do we have a budget? Need something to hand out.

July 13 - Tour of Ulster County Resource Recovery 1PM or 4 PM

See how the recycling and food composting is handled

Angel will be coordinating the visit; must wear boots

July 4th: Meet at the Phoenicia School parking lot to march together at the parade

Need handouts- cover sheet on what the CAC is

What is our mission (in a short statement)

Who can be at the CAC table at Parish Field

Flyers?

Town Board meetings - work in conjunction and can we promote ourselves

What are the powers and duties of the CAC?

Adopt a NYS Climate Community pledge - 12 Actions

Build a Climate Smart Task Force

Composting - Town landfill vs Town Composting What's the benefit?

Community Composting Companies- Composting Folks - next meeting

Woodchips - what's the plan?

Bear Proof of composting station - needs to be addressed

Mary - How to Compost- offered to be available for trainings

Composting in Kingston vs in Phoenicia

Ulster County Resource Recovery Association

Inventory local restaurants on what they are or are not doing

Natural Resource Inventory - there is funding available to do this Gretchen Stevens?

July 18 6:30 PM next meeting

Recording Secretary MJ Reiss