

CAC Minutes for July 18, 2022, Shandaken, NY
(minutes recorded by Catherine del Tufo)

Meeting begins at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

Members present:

Michael Cioffi

Bruce Barry

John Michelotti

Robert Cruikshank

Bethia Waterman

Mary Herrman

Catherine del Tufo (secretary for this meeting)

Members absent:

MJ Reiss

Angel Molina

1. Welcome to guest speakers and committee members
2. Review July 4th parade
3. UCRRA trip delayed until autumn
4. June meeting minutes will be available next meeting, August 15
5. August chairperson will be Bruce Barry (BW will be away)

1st speaker: Michael D'Arcy (Ulster Co Dept of the Environment).

He discusses the Food Waste Recovery Act

Source Reduction

Energy savings from removing food waste from the waste stream.

2nd speaker: Molly Lindsay (Community Compost Company and Hudson Soil Co)

She discusses the company's collection of food waste from local businesses and Hudson Valley communities. Also, she talks about the positive impact of utilizing food waste and turning it into a valuable resource. They are located in Kerhonkson/New Paltz.

3rd speaker: James Amenta (local farmer, Phoenicia Community Composting)

He discusses the actualities of collecting local food waste and turning it into an amendment for soil health and food production.

Ongoing questions, answers and ideas from committee members and guest speakers engaged all.

Robert Cruikshank raised the topic of rising energy costs, the upcoming heating season, and the need to illuminate residents to the helpful programs that are available to assist homeowners.

Sean Welsh (CCE Sullivan Co) was suggested as a possible speaker for the next meeting to discuss programs "Empower NY" and "Solarize Ulster". Bethia Waterman will contact him.

Meeting adjourns at 7:38

Bruce Barry motions, Robert Cruikshank seconds