



Climate Smart Communities

Minutes
CLIMATE COMMITTEE
March 18, 2020, 7:00 PM

Attendees: Greg Vogler, Maureen Wilson, Jere Wrightsman, Cara Humphrey, Paige Ruane. Also, Jill Falchi from the Capital District Regional Planning commission.

Meeting via tele conference due to coronavirus.

1. Approval of Minutes from February 19, 2020 meeting

No objections, approved.

2. Status of Key Initiatives

- a. Current Projects

- i. NYSERDA Grant – Greg. We got first payment 8,750 plus paperwork completed to sign agreement with Nyseg for LED street lights.
 - ii. LED Street Lighting – Chris. See above
 - iii. Town Buildings/Parks LED Lights Replacement – Chris/Cara. Tabled for now until virus episode over.
 - iv. Benchmarking/Inventory – Jere is working on the Climate Smart Community (CSC) green house gas (GHG) inventory and input to system.

- b. New Initiatives

- i. Climate Smart Certification
 - 1. Task Force - Greg to formalize resolution
 - 2. Coordinator - Greg to formalize Jere and me
 - 3. Meeting between Jill, Jere and myself held March 6 to discuss Climate Smart Certification next steps
- ii. 2020 Education and Awareness – website, fair
 - 1. Website – Jere has received many recommendations. Will need to think about cost re: website but FB might be an alternative plus will think of format for repository. Possibilities include website having links to government programs, NYS Stretch Energy Code, links to speakers, etc
- iii. NY Stretch Energy Code – see above.
- c. Membership expansion. Cara, Paige and Greg to work on a team mission statement, priorities and goals.

Maureen Wilson went to a Zero Waste Committee mtg with Cara; went to ID speakers, met Cornell liaison who gives talks on food waste, speakers on composting, end of May event on the Green if possible

3. Next Committee Meeting: Wednesday, April 15, 2020, 7:00 pm.