

Town of Hurley

Climate Smart Task Force

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: May 17, 2022

Present via Zoom: Task Force Members – Lynne Bailey, Peter McKnight, Kristen Schara (Coordinator), Absent – Erin Nylen

Agenda

New Business

NYStretch

Continuing Business

1. Memorial Day Plans
2. Green Building Policy
3. Recycling Bins in Government Buildings
4. Environmental Purchasing Policy
5. Building Energy Audits
6. Government Operations GHG Inventory
7. Solar Mapping
8. CSC Action Status Review
9. Other

Minutes

New Business

NYStretch – Supervisor McKnight expressed an interest in adopting the NYStretch Energy Code. Applications for the \$5,000 NYSEDA Action Grant had been extended to June 30th. Kristen will follow up with the Hudson Valley Regional Council for details on the possibility of qualifying for the grant if the code was adopted in June she will coordinate with the Supervisor to get Circuit Rider support for public hearings if needed.

Continuing Business

1. Memorial Day Plans – Kristen will coordinate with the Supervisor's Secretary for table location and set-up. We'll have sign-up sheets for CSTF and CAC info, CSTF binders, and Flyers with QR codes for information about heat pumps and other Climate Smart programs. Lynne will provide painted tattoos and pollinator seeds. Peter and Andy Shapiro will help with set up.
2. Green Building Policy – Erin posted a draft of the proposed policy for review.

3. Recycling Bins in Government Buildings – Peter sent a draft policy to the Supervisor for input. We would like the Town Board to consider it at the June Workshop Meeting.
4. Environmental Purchasing Policy – Kristen submitted the policy to the Town Board in May. The goal is to have it adopted at the May Town Board meeting.
5. Building Energy Audits – The Supervisor signed the contract. The goal is for Daylight Savings to perform the site visit in early June so that the audit report will be completed by mid-June.
6. Government Operations GHG Inventory – Felicia Legge completed data entry. Kristen and Lynne will work on the report. Once the Inventory report is finished it will be presented to the Town Board.
7. Solar Mapping – The participants, Lynne, Peter and Andy Shapiro have completed the workshop. Their goal is to present a report to the Town Board. The results of the project could be used by the Planning And Zoning Boards to review applications and optimize solar installation placement . There appears to be limited opportunities for large solar farms in Hurley based on siting parameters.
8. CSC Action Status Review – The next submittal due date for CSC certification is July 8th. Given the actions that need to be completed it is unlikely that we will be ready. We expect to apply by September although the application will not be reviewed until after the January 2023 date.
9. Climate Smart Event - The idea of a Town event planned for the fall was discussed. Kristen suggested a Repair Café at the West Hurley Fire House. (Date?)
10. Risk Assessment Tool – Lynne found a tool (riskfactor.com) for homeowners to assess risk due to wildfire and flood for the next 30 years which accounts for changing weather patterns. This is something we could post on social media.