

Town of Hurley

Climate Smart Task Force

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: Sept 20, 2022

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

Agenda

Continuing Business

CSC Action Checklist – The Final Countdown

Other

New Business

What is Next for the CSTF?

Minutes

Continuing Business

CSC Action Checklist - The Final Countdown

PE 1:

Partnerships with Other Entities

- Lynne added Internship with Ulster County Community College
- Kristen and Lynne to update narrative with Climate Stewards/HCAN.
- If CCE will produce report on disaster preparedness work with town, we can include that report in our documentation and narrative

PE 2:

Government Operations GHG Inventory (revisions)

- Landgem model is being used to calculate the emissions that came from the landfill/transfer station 1960s-1994 - need population data for each decade.
 - Kristen emailed Judy and the assessor, called the library, Ulster County historian, and City of Kingston reference desk librarian.
 - Kristen still working on.

Community GHG Inventory (done)

PE 3:

Building Energy Audits - completed

Green Building Policy

- Kristen to get the minutes of the meeting from Annie/Judy where this was adopted or a memo saying it was adopted.
- Erin to type up narrative.

Fleet Inventory

- Lynne has sent an updated spreadsheet to Mike Schultis, will aim to finish next week.

Advanced Vehicles

- Lynne will call assessor Britney so we can write a narrative about this.

Environmental Purchasing Policy

- It was presented at last town meeting week of 9/12, it will be adopted next week.
- Erin to type up narrative.
- Lynne to reach out to Samara to compare different paper costs as an example as was requested at the town meeting week of 9/12?

PE 4:

Heat Pumps

- Erin to update narrative with Lynne's post on website. Completed by Lynne

Solar Array

- Once we're done with the certification, we can start on energy benchmarking to track our usage and costs (energy bills for town hall)

PE 5:

Recycling Bins in Government Buildings

- Lynne will add to google drive this week and Peter will take additional photos Added photo

PE 6:

Charging Station

- Erin wrote narrative, this should be done.

PE 7:

Evaluate Policies for Climate Resilience

- Kristen to upload report and write narrative

PE 8:

Community Campaign - Solarize

- Kristen uploaded documentation for this, should be done.

PE 9:

Climate Related Public Events

- Lynne wrote this narrative, along with a page on the car show, will add anything else we need.

Local Climate Action Website

- Lynne will add website docs and what needs to be submitted

Social Media

- Done

Other Business

HV Regional

- Kristen signed us up for participating with their climate action plan training in early 2023.
- Kristen will make sure all of our data can be uploaded to the models that they're using.

EV Charging Stations

- Kristen went to a webinar on EV charging stations - there is a yearly program that we can work on submitting for next year end of Sept 2023. One at town park, one at transfer station, one at Hurley Ridge Market, one at Rail Trail parking.

Ashokan Reservoir - NYC DEP

- They meet quarterly and every town should have a representative
- Kristen sent info to Melinda on what would be needed for us to appoint someone to this
 - Mike Boms could approach Bonavist (sp?)
- Project coming up Downstream Management Plan - Lower Esopus - they have a stream management working group that the person appointed could be part of

DEC Hudson River Estuary Program

- Webinar on Wetlands - looking for recording
- Redefining waterways in NYS

What's Next

- Climate Action Plan
- Actions to take based on Comprehensive Plan
- Outreach (Heat Pumps etc.)

Next CSTF meeting will be October 18.