

Report for Climate Smart Meeting on 6/13/22

The June 13 Climate Smart Meeting was attended by only John and Sarah and was not convened.

Below is the proposed agenda that was sent to the Committee via Google Groups list.

This is a reminder for our regularly scheduled Claverack Climate Smart meeting on Monday, June 13 at 6 PM at the Claverack Free Library

Here is a list of standing Agenda items we can discuss, depending on who is available at the meeting and the urgency of various issues.:

- MInutes from May 13 (attached)
- Update on CSC Website - Vic and Sarah; - What's next discussion?
- Reports on current projects:
 - Update on Bronze certification and Climate Action Planning, Julie and Tom out of town but we can have a Status report on what has been submitted and the ongoing work; Discussion of 'How to Help on Certification Actions
 - Action items to document, investigate or initiate -
 - What to post on the website, if anything?
- Planning for New Town Hall Mellenville site - Stalled or waiting ?? discussion -
 - Sample Gant Chart for project - Katy Flammis's draft - Use Scotch Tape to extend hte pages.
 - Suggestion to TB that use as a model and include a Concept plan for the Town Hall complex.
 - Grants - A current consideration - a DEC CSC grant for multiple Climate Smart related planning functions - Anyone want to help research/think this through?
 - Update Climate Action Plan (Path to Bronze planning Worksheet from July 2021) and
 - Develop concept plan for the new Town Hall and surrounding public spaces;
 - Using the information from GHG Inventory for Gov't Operations, initiate planning for new town hall to achieve near net zero emissions and based on early feasibility study for hydropower, incorporate renewable energy from solar and hydropower from Old Paper Mill Dam on Agawamuck creek
 - Initiate Planning for public space surrounding new town hall connecting the mellenville site with the High Falls Conservation Area and encompassing the dam creek banks and paper mill ruins for a natural and industrial history educational park with community space and natural cooling area in summer heat;

- Partner with Columbia Land Conservancy to integrate the public park complex with the existing conservation area via a connecting pathway over the dam.
 - Complete the process for Bronze certification based on multiple actions to reduce GHGs and other climate Smart Actions;
 - Complete a Comprehensive Plan update with Sustainability Elements and other community needs.
 - Grant to be between \$100-\$200k to be submitted by July 29
 - DEC CSC
- Reports on County other CSCs, etc.
 - Climate Carnival - <https://sites.google.com/columbiacountyny.com/emc/climate-carnival>
 - FYI - Zero Waste Columbia and County MSW Plan,
 - Hudson Valley Food System Coalition June 27, 3 PM meeting - <https://www.hvfoodsystem.org/> & <https://www.hvfoodsystem.org/food-systems>
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- Other projects:
 - Update Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements
 - How to support regenerative agriculture?

We will be meeting in person and on Zoom for those who prefer

Join Zoom Meeting

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