

North Salem | Climate Smart Community

North Salem Climate Smart Community Leadership Team MINUTES September 21, 2021 5:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by Katherine Daniels behind the RKML.

- 1. Katherine welcomed new members (Robin Albin, Rick O'Leary).
- 2. Minutes from August 31, 2021were approved by a unanimous vote.
- 3. Katherine gave a report on the NSOLF race. CSC's first public appearance was a success. The T-Shirts were visible and looked great.
- 4. Nina Eisenman gave a report about preparations for an LED Lightbulb Swap to be held at Town Hall on October 16. The event will be jointly sponsored by the RKML and NS Improvement Society, which will be holding an e-waste drop off.
- 5. Janine and Katherine reported on the Community Solar program sponsored by Sustainable Westchester. If we can get 10 people or eligible entities to sign up by December, we will be eligible for a grant. Katherine, Janine and Edris are working with Claire Kokoska to develop promotional literature to be handed out on 10/16. Katherine will be reaching out to houses of worship, RKML, CFFD, NSVAC to encourage them to sign up.
- 6. Charlotte gave an updated on planning for the Solar Power for Horse Farms presentation to be given at Old Salem Farm on 10/23.
- 7. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Buildings: Katherine reported that NYStretch building code was adopted by TB on September 14, 2021. The paperwork will now be filed with NYSERDA so we can get credit. Katherine also described the next steps for our GHG inventory.



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- b. Transportation: Katherine articulated some take-aways from the I 684 Corridor Study and encouraged everyone to read.
- c. Clean Energy: Follow up discussion on CCA and CCP interplay.
- d. Land, Air, Water: Jocko reported progress on his section of the Plan.
- e. Food practices/recycling: Edris and Janine are working on these sections of the Plan.
- f. Legislation: Nothing new to report.
- g. Newsletter, Instagram, Facebook pages: Emily will take a look when she returns from vacation.
- h. North Salem Central School District Climate Smart Task Force
- 8. Grant Updates: Katherine reported that \$5,000 was received from NYSERDA in August 2020. We anticipate receiving another \$5,000 if 10 entities sign up for Community Solar and we can expect another \$5,000 after we file the paperwork for NYStretch.
- 9. Katherine reported that our questions for town-wide survey were set to Cynthia Curtis and will be included in the survey.
- 10. Timeline for completing first draft of Climate Action Plan still on target: *First Draft December 2021*.

Minutes prepared by Katherine Daniels