

**Town of Red Hook Conservation Advisory Committee (CAC)
And Climate Smart Community Committee (CSC)**

Meeting 6/12/2019

Meeting start 7pm

Members Present - Laurie, Steve, Denis, Sue, Leah, Lori, Jen, Mike, Julia

Planning – Savona’s patio. Preserve at Lakes Kill got an extension.

Local Law E – Natural Resources Law. Clarifying comments from Planning Board. Two rounds of public hearing already completed. Ted did new draft incorporating Planning Board comments. Public hearing open till next board mtg. Feedback mostly positive so far. . Large scale commercial forestry (5 or more acres) and extractive operations will be sent by PB to CAC for voluntary review.

Town Board decision to include the CAC in the review process for future commercial resource extraction applications.

Solar Farm – declared Village lead agent on SEQRA. Used Monroe Proceedings to avoid having to go through Planning Bd. There are 9 criteria to expedite the process.

Discussion of transparency of government – specifically how the solar project was on the website.

Transportation

Bus stop?

electric charging at town hall – RFP needed / Ted, existing sites are on plugshare.

electric van program - no update

Energy Cte

- Air source heat pumps – RFP needed
- Street lights – new tariffs in play that doubles the cost/kwh of electricity for outdoor lights (here it’s 5 cent addition). Makes them whole for the energy savings we would’ve gotten.
- community solar – CAC members attended the village public hearing (2nd). Jeff Irish presented new landscaping plan that included extra setbacks, and a cost sheet. Village engineer presented the results of the seqra analysis.
- Bloomberg Beyond Carbon Campaign \$500M – largest ever philanthropic effort to fight climate crisis
- CCA time frame goes into effect in July. A letter will go out.

Water / Land

Liaisons to SKWC - Leah and Steve share the role

Climate Smart Communities Task Force

Anna Dolen summer intern continuing work on credits and may reach out

Materials

Apple Blossom table - metrics of success – had two students at the table. Location Flat iron- ish. Good traffic. Many t-shirt bags were made

Repair Café, next date 7/27 - theme? Call for Repair Coaches has been sent. October do more creative version. Suspect July will have low attendance. Poster!

Greener Choices/Drawdown/Taste Budds – send Lori the photos to get on website

Re-usable bags – wash our overstock and put outside stores? can we make a permanent relationship with Env. Club at the HS through Abbie and Tessa?

MISC – yeehaw for school solar!

Adjourned 8pm