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**TOWN OF RED HOOK
CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Minutes of meeting
December 12, 2018

Members present: Chairwoman Laurie Husted, Susan Ellis, Jen Cavanaugh
Steve Appenzeller, Mike Zelig, Denis Collet

Guests: Katherine Gould-Martin, resident interested in climate change action and
Michelle Gluck, Resource Educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCEDC) and
Sarah Imboden, Town Councilwoman and CAC Liaison

CALL TO ORDER / QUORUM : Chairwoman Laurie Husted called the meeting to
order at 6:50 P.M. A quorum was present.

**CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES CERTIFICATION (CSC) DISCUSSION
WITH MICHELLE GLUCK:** Michelle brought a summary assessment of the work
that she had done with the CAC and Town Board over the year, including a spread sheet
of the action points already fitting the criteria for Bronze Level certification. The Town
of Red Hook is close to having more than enough points for Bronze Level, but needs to
perform some mandatory acts of organization to qualify. The Town must establish a
CSC Task Force and designate a CSC Coordinator. Councilwoman Sarah Imboden
asked about policy decisions to be addressed by the CSC Task Force; Michelle
suggested that the Task Force have a joint meeting with the CAC.

Michelle said that for a time frame in submitting the certification application, the Town
should declare support for the Bronze Level in January 2019, so that it can compile the
documentation of completed actions for submission in April 2019. Jen Cavanaugh said
that she would review the excel document for the details. In addition, Michelle noted
that The Town should review the list of suggested prioritized actions currently “in
development” to determine if would consider pursuing work towards Silver Level
certification.

E-WASTE COLLECTION AT RED HOOK RECYCLING CENTER:

Councilwoman Sarah Imboden reported that the Town Board has approved holding an
E-waste collection on Saturday January 10, 2019 at the Recycling Center. The event is
done in partnership with the Village of Red Hook and co-sponsored by Bard College's
Center for Civic Engagement. Town Highway Department employees and CAC

volunteers assist the event.

Sarah and CAC members discussed details about fluorescent light bulbs and prices for items that have higher handling/disposal costs. More information will be available on the Town and Village websites.

REPAIR CAFE RED HOOK: Steve Appenzeller reported that the first Repair Cafe Red Hook is planned for Monday, January 21, 2019. Details will be discussed at the CAC January 9, 2019 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7 P.M., at Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Ellis, Secretary