

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY TASK FORCE

DECEMBER 12, 2017

Calendar Note: Meeting previously scheduled for 11/14 cancelled because of scheduling conflicts for majority of members.

ATTENDING: Bill Mancini (Chairman), Warren Applegate, Mike Robbins, Rich Phillips (Trustee) Robyn Reynolds, Senior Planner CDRPC, Sandra Tolosa, community member.

GENERAL INFORMATION: R. Reynolds reported that the Energy Code Enforcement Training now will be presented via classroom training session. Additionally, for communities like the Village, only the Code Enforcement Officer must attend; arrangements for Kinderhook to be announced. R. Reynolds also reported that a new Solarize New York program will be announced soon aimed at expanding solar energy usage on a countywide level throughout the state. The Columbia County Environmental Management Council and/or the Columbia County Land Conservancy may have instrumental roles.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION: There was a lengthy discussion about the application process. The deadline for possible grant funding up to \$16,000 with 20% local match is May 31, 2018. We have \$2,500 set aside from the village's solar permit award which can be applied against the 20% match. In-kind village labor also may count toward the local match. The Task Force wants to apply as soon as possible. W. Applegate volunteered to seek letters of support from KBPA and Kinderhook Memorial. He and Economic Development coordinator, Renee Shur will work up a marketing report. The Capital District EV Drivers Club might support the application. The point of contact is Mathew VanDerlofske, manderlofske@gmail.com). We will need a quote for the application. R. Reynolds will provide a list of contractors who we can contact to arrange site visits. B. Mancini requested that members review copies of the application template and present any additional suggestions at a workshop. The Task Force agreed to hold a writing workshop before next regularly scheduled meeting.

EARTH DAY WEEKEND BUILDING A FOOD SMART KINDERHOOK: W. Applegate presented a progress report, asking for some financial support from Village and urged Task Force to promote a pilot food waste program to be introduced that weekend.

EVC GRANT APPLICATION WRITNG WORKSHOP- Jan. 6. at 2 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING- JAN 9 at 7 p.m.