

# New Paltz Climate Smart Task Force

Tuesday March 14, 2023  
Meeting via Zoom  
7:00 pm



**Climate Smart  
Communities**  
Certified Bronze

## Agenda

1. **Introductions**
2. **Approval of Minutes**
3. **Earth Day Fair** and presentations at the Earth Day Fair (Jim)
4. **Climate Action Plan Cohort** – next meeting is 3/16 from noon to 1:00 pm. See attachments for topic this month - Transportation. (Janelle)
5. **Battery Energy Storage Task Force update** (Joe)
6. **Climate Smart Schools Task Force discussion** (Joe and Janelle)
7. **Social Media Update** (Izzy)
8. **Youth Liaison – discussion of our vision** (Izzy)
9. **Succession planning for Climate Smart Coordinator position** (Janelle)
10. **Action Group Updates:**
  - **6 Rs – Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Repair, Recycle (Refill?)** Our next Repair Café in New Paltz is March 18th.
  - **Green Business** – Tiffin Project/Second Nature Refillery, Hudson Valley One article
  - **Green Spaces** – lets get planning a new project! How about an edible forest?
  - **Green Transportation:** Complete streets off the back burner? Or not...
  - **Publicity & Social Media:** Thank you Izzy Defino for doing regular posts on our behalf! The April newsletter will be going out the last week of March. Please send your submissions by March 24.
  - **Youth:** liaison needed!
  - **Alternative Energy:** Battery Energy Storage update. Solar at the Landfill update.
  - **Lifestyle:** Next Climate Smart Solutions Meetup is scheduled for April 4th but we do not have a topic or presenter – can someone besides Janelle take the lead on this?

**The next Climate Smart Book Club meeting is March 21st at 7:00.** We will be discussing *Climate Restoration: The Only Future That Will Sustain the Human Race* by Peter Fiekowsky