

New Paltz Climate Smart Task Force

Monday September 20, 2021
Meeting via Zoom
7:00 pm



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Agenda

1. **Introductions – new member Joseph Londa**
2. **NYS Stretch code – Jen Metzger talk delayed**
3. **Update from email with Neil Bettez regarding current Climate Smart actions**
4. **New Paltz Tiffin Project: distribution and restaurant contacts**
5. **Action Group Updates:**
 - **6 Rs – Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Repair, Recycle**
 - **Repair Café – up and running in New Paltz again!**
 - **Fabric recycling update** (Megan)
 - **Update on plastics recycling in New Paltz**
 - **Green Business** – see Tiffin Project above
 - **Green Spaces:** next project?
 - **Green Transportation:** National Drive Electric Week celebrated in New Paltz October 2nd from 11:00 to 2:00 pm led by Samrat Pathania
 - **Publicity & Social Media:** The October newsletter will be going out by the end of September. Submit articles to Janelle by September 27th please
 - **Youth:** next project? Who are the current leaders? Fast Fashion topic could be link.
 - **Alternative Energy:** Solar at the Landfill update. Contacts needed for solar home building – any ideas?
 - **Lifestyle:** Next **Climate Change Solutions Meetup** is scheduled for October 5th at 6:00 PM. We will be covering the topic of fast fashion and the impact of microplastics from clothing. In her talk “Theatrical Solutions to Fast Fashion” our speaker Alizon Baretzky Santmaria will address the problem of clothing waste and pollution through the lens of theatrical costuming. If you want a sneak preview, here is a link to it in a previous iteration: <https://vimeo.com/581521205>.

The next **Climate Smart Book Club** meeting is tomorrow September 21st at 7:00 pm. We will be discussing the book : *The Overstory - A Novel* by Richard Powers.

Next Task Force Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 18th at 7:00 pm.