

New Paltz Climate Smart Task Force

New Paltz Community Center

7:00 pm

Monday December 16, 2019

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Planned submission on January 10th of our application for Bronze certification
Town: 177 points applied Village: 150 points applied
Awaiting feedback from Europa
3. Review of draft Annual Report: additions, corrections?
4. Vulnerability Study – Debrief of workshop that was held on December 4th
5. Book Group Proposed – should it be part of New Paltz Climate Smart?
6. Action Group updates.
 - **6 Rs - Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Repair, Recycle** (Wendy Rudder)
 1. Delay of trip to County Waste Recycling Center in Albany
 2. Possible actions that could be explored based on CSC points
 - **Green Business** (Janelle Peotter) –
 1. Rotary invitation to speak at their January 9th meeting at Garvans
 - **Green Spaces** (Liz Elkins)
 1. New member of this action group: Susan DeMark
 - **Green Transportation** (Janelle Peotter)
 1. Complete Streets Ad Hoc Committee next meeting is Monday January 6th
 - **Publicity, Social Media, Press Releases** (Jim Gordon and Victoria Hilton)
 1. Jim Gordon - willing to edit and send press releases
 2. Janelle is getting out January newsletter in two weeks- submit by end of month.
 3. Victoria continues to do do our social media posts.
 - **Youth** – (leader still needed)
 1. December 6th Climate Strike – Debrief
 2. Lynne Cherry's Civic Engagement & Democracy curriculum – New Paltz Schools
 3. Input from Hope regarding youth actions and involvement
 - **Alternative Energy** (Janelle, Mark, Jim and Liz)
 1. update regarding solar on the landfill - HESP
 2. solar law
 3. CCA – letters have gone out, any problems you are hearing?
 4. Exploration of solar parking canopies by Liz, Cal and Janelle

- **Lifestyle (Orelle and Janelle)**

1. December 3rd Meetup was Climate Smart Holidays at Unison – debrief
2. Next Meetup is January 7th at the Commissary on a Plant Based Diet
3. Still need someone to write up the Meetups for newspaper publication

7. Calendar:

- Monday January 6th: Complete Streets Ad Hoc Committee
- Friday January 10th: deadline for next Climate Smart Communities certification applicants
- Monday January 20th: CSC Task Force Meeting (Martin Luther King Birthday – three day weekend, okay to meet?)