

Sleepy Hollow Environmental Advisory Committee
and Climate Smart Community Task Force
Meeting Minutes, March 7, 2022

via zoom

Attendees: Sarah Smiley, Nana Welch, Judi Knispel, Dan Convisser, Francois Reijili, Kirsten McLaughlin, Char Weigel, Nicholas Kaufman, Dave Avrin
Guests: Jared Rodriguez, Deb Wood, Ann White

Agenda

1. Approval of SHEAC minutes

2. SHEAC structure - any comments or next steps - SHEAC board will meet as a group to decide how to move forward. Anne said there is a lot of interest at Kendal on Hudson in SHEAC. SHEAC will need to appoint two new members and elect a chair. Dave will set up a meeting.

3. CSC Updates

1. Grid Rewards program live - the link is now live to sign up for the App. This will count towards the village getting points for CSC and help you save money on the electric bill. Have Paul and Anthony make an announcement at the next BOT meeting. Paula sent out an eblast previously.

2. C2 - Char created a C2 volunteer directory. C2 = Community Coalition - they meet once a month on Mondays. They are creating an events calendar that is shared between TT and SH. Char is laying out a volunteer and donation directory that will be shared with new residents who are interested in volunteering.

3. Combined resolution - Kirsten - all of the resolutions are put forth once a quarter and presented to the board for approval. Streamlined way of achieving pre-set goals by having resolutions passed. Resolutions would be grouped for efficient approval. Jared suggested presenting the resolutions at a work session so that they will be ready by the next BOT meeting for a vote. Anne also suggested having the resolutions posted to the website so that they are available to the public.

4. Food Scrap recycling grant

1. Ask Beverly to take lead with the Village or
2. Shift to a CSC project or
3. SHEAC tell Village that Dan is point person on that project
4. Article for River Journal

5. Earth Day Event ideas - table or activity - where to have it? TASH, Cortland parklet? TASH is giving free tables to every non-profit. Perhaps an event at the parklet on the clean-up day. Riversweep is May 7th this year. Diana Loja is coordinating the Earth Day activities this year.

1. Information about CSC Task Force & SHEAC

b. Kids activity - Nana: Beverly has great recycling game for kids

c. Food scrap recycling demonstration/give away - mailers. Char can write article for the River Journal.

d. Jared: Carol Vincent spearheading effort to plant pumpkins around town; Diana Loja is organizing clean up and pumpkin planting on Earth Day, pollinator plant clean ups.

e. Char: partner with Sleepy Coffee in Cortland Street parklet. Char will

reach out to her to see when she's doing it.

5. Food Scrap Drop-off site discussion

1. Formulate an opinion regarding food scrapping on the east parcel/DPW site. Move toward Sleepy Hollow having either food scrap pick up or drop off point. Discussed multiple locations as a possibility for pickup. Would be good to have compost available to local residents. Yard waste can be composted in the village.

2. 2 proposals -

1. Municipal yard waste dealt with in-village

2. Food scrap drop off site (East Parcel years out - drop off site doesn't need to be planned), or Peabody for manors, and one downtown, then maybe one at East Parcel

1. Char - maybe ask Diana for good spots

3. Include geothermal recommendation for DPW (even though they say it's too early). Jared: community heat pump PON now open to non SBC paying orgs. Alerted village grant writer about this.

6. Waste reduction education campaign update from Nick: had information meeting with the high school. He will float the idea of using Peabody as a possible food scrap site.

7. Keep meetings virtual or move to in-person? Decision was to keep it virtual.