



Sustainable Sleepy Hollow Monthly Meeting

September 8, 2025

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Meeting ID: 886 0983 4663, Passcode: 208060

Attendees: Arline, Celia, Stephanie, Anne, Arline, Susanne

On zoom: Kersten Harries, Dan Convissor, Gina, Carol, Ginger, Deb, Rachael, Kirsten H-M, Sarah

Notetaker: Char

Agenda:

1. Introductions & goal to finish by 8:30 pm
2. Student Liaison Position*- Susanne read the draft description of the position. Not meant to be approved by Board of Trustee but will be acknowledged by certificate of recognition and title. Char nominated, Anne seconded and all voted in favor.
3. Oyster Project Craft (Kersten and Char) -
 - a. Reused textiles to create fabric measuring line for Billion Oyster Project oyster count. Acquired towel scraps from local biz that makes pants out of towels... discarded fabrics. Showed sewn sample and not sewn sample. Take a little more than a foot and connect to each other. Would take a quick session to help cut. Unsewn vs. sewn. 5 solid colors and patterns. Find date and time for workshop at SH Bookshop focus on a Wednesday 9/10 or 9/17 hopefully. Kersten will ask Kendal can sew the sections. We will give some visibility to the company whose scraps we are using and ask them to either donate for crafts or textile recycling. (Char/Gina/Kersten)
 - b. Anne doing research on history of Horan's Landing environment law. Can leverage this.
4. Recent Event Update (5 minutes)
 - a. CAP
 - i. Info Session, August 7 recap (Gina)
 1. Sarah and Gina hosted the info session, gave presentation which will record and send out. Kiko sent out the form with link to CAP with one response. Share link and send to five friends. Anne is using the Exec Summary to show people. Gina will draft email to send to friends. Will ask BOT for vote Tuesday 9/23. Ask to add note to Executive Summary to look at mitigation chapter.
 - ii. 9/23 BOT worksession (Char) -will ask for vote on CAP
 - b. TaSH Tabling Update, August 9 - (Stephanie)

- i. “Beyond the Bin” - lot of great info. Kirsten collected batteries, glasses, phone. We want to do more often... combine with activities. Diana is collecting old glasses to distribute locally. If need to be repaired can go to link. Can we add collection box - ask Diana? Pick a theme and ask people to bring in glasses. Cork recycling - Jairo will restart cork collection program at Grape Expectations. Can use to create local art project or do craft items or ship to companies that take used ones. Rachel Tieger did some subfloor lining with tree well with cork.
- 5. Upcoming Event Status (10 minutes)
 - a. Saturday, Sept. 13 - Monthly Flash Cleanups - Second Saturdays (Char)
 - i. Continuing and getting sign ups
 - b. Saturday, September 20 - Eco Fair (Adanhyr)
 - i. Need volunteers. Theme Leave the Leaves Part II. Craft origami book mark. Need materials - may use newspapers.
 - c. Sunday, October 5, 3 pm (Char)
 - i. SH Oyster Count Up - Horan's (see flyer below)
 - ii. Doing count against a transect that Kersten Harries organizes as community art project.
 - iii. Get out the word
 - d. December 6 - Pumpkin Smash at Peabody/Rain Date Dec 7 (Carol)
 - i. Mayor said yes to fire trucks or another bucket truck and have not heard back. Have pumpkins growing there this year from last year's smash. Pumpkin gourd giveaway. Carol will do flyer.
- 6. Old Business
 - a. Banners and Signs - Char
 - i. They're up!
 - b. Leaf Blower Ban Details - Will meet with PM and SH Garden Clubs and tell board of trustees about our effort when we meet on 9/23. Question about enforcement - have been told that police are the ones to issue tickets.
 - c. Legislative update - Sarah
 - i. NY Heat Act - Repeal of 100 foot rule is still waiting to be signed by Governor.
 - ii. Plastic Packaging Reduction Infrastructure Act - Beyond Plastics Coalition is pushing again this year.
 - b. Project Maple resolution update -
 - i. SSH submitted proposed resolution and is on agenda for discussion tomorrow night in BOT worksession. Can send email to our distribution list and include what we wrote for trustees. Tarrytown already passed its resolution.
 - c. LED light conversion - Char/Kirsten
 - i. Kirsten, Jared, Lauren and Char need to meet with Kevin to advance.
 - d. Complete Streets Update - Sarah or Susanne
 - i. Meeting 9/10 - Anthony, Jared, Kevin, Susanne, Sarah to talk about how to document progress to get CSC points.

- e. Committee Liaison Updates
 - i. Tree Commission - Vine info going out via PMIA newsletter. Hope to get out via SHMA. And on Tree Comm website
- f. Zombie Game (Gina)
 - i. Charlotte Binns will come November meeting
- 7. New Business
 - a. Statue Island Ideas (Susanne)
 - i. Plants have died and Susanne has been talking to Matt to see if some things could be propagated there. Seed workshops to propagate native plants from seed. Susanne will organize events for the community and hope to work with garden clubs. Matt will give room at Senior Center. January timing on winter seeding. Susanne needs very specific plants given micro-climate. Susanne will create plan and dates with Matt. Rachael will help too.
 - ii. Susanne worked on garden across from village hall last week. Rachael got word that the person who waters the baskets can water this area too. Will get commitment to water statue island (have hose hookup on site).
 - b. Sarah- had applied to recertify CSC status at Bronze level and have been approved.
- 8. Next Meeting: Monday October 6 Village Hall & Zoom
- 9. Adjourn: Target by 8:30 pm

***Draft Description**

The appointed SHEAC members and the chairs of the Climate Smart Communities Task Force (Sustainable Sleepy Hollow or SSH) is establishing a position for a **Student Liaison** from Sleepy Hollow high school. The intent is to foster a connection to our educational community and to encourage the environmental interests of a student. By participating in public education campaigns, environmental advocacy, sustainable policy development and conservation efforts, a student will have an opportunity to experience the value and impact of municipal-level community engagement. The term of service will be for one school year and will follow the academic calendar year (i.e. September to June) and the position is open to all current high school students. Sleepy Hollow resident preferred. TUFSD-student preferred.

2026 Event Dates (just for the record): Earth Month/Green Horsemen Festival: Saturday, April 18, 2026 (rain plan inside Senior Center); Sleepy Hollow Free Day: April 25, 2026 - rain date April 26, 2026. Pumpkin Smash at Peabody: December 5, 2026 - rain date December 6, 2026

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OCTOBER
3:30-5:00 PM



FIRST ANNUAL SLEEPY HOLLOW OYSTER COUNTUP



DID YOU KNOW:

- We have live oysters in Horan's Landing?
- These oysters are helping to clean the water?
- Oyster beds can reduce wave damage during storms?
- Oysters can reduce carbon dioxide (a greenhouse gas) in the atmosphere?



Participate in our baseline live oyster count. Join the Billion Oyster Project to learn how oysters will help us protect our shore and get us closer to swimming in the Hudson. Everyone is welcome!

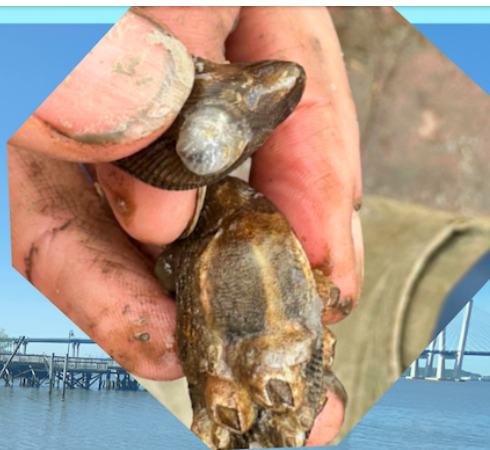


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HORAN'S LANDING PARK, SLEEPY HOLLOW
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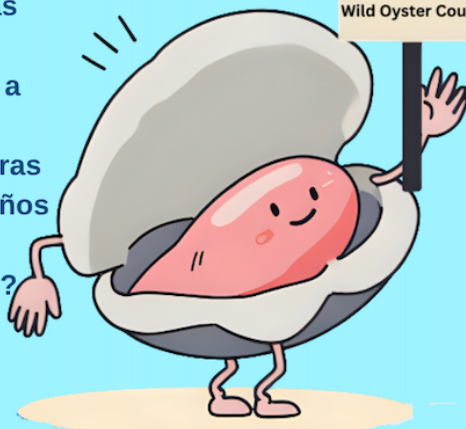


PRIMER ENCUENTRO ANUAL DE LAS OSTRAS EN SLEEPY HOLLOW



¿LO SABÍAS?

¿Tenemos ostras vivas en Horan's Landing?
¿Estas ostras ayudan a limpiar el agua?
¿Los criaderos de ostras pueden reducir los daños causados por las olas durante las tormentas?
¿Las ostras pueden reducir el dióxido de carbono (un gas de efecto invernadero) en la atmósfera?



Participe en nuestro recuento básico de ostras vivas. Únase al Proyecto Mil Millones de Ostras para aprender cómo las ostras nos ayudarán a proteger nuestra costa y nos acercarán a nadar en el Hudson. ¡Todo el mundo es bienvenido!



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HORAN'S LANDING PARK, SLEEPY HOLLOW

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Sleepy Hollow Community Food Garden

Barnhardt Park

Rules and Regulations

The Sleepy Hollow Community Food garden is a community garden run by Sleepy Hollow Parks & Recreation Department. The garden is new to our village as of 2025 and was created to give residents who do not otherwise have accessible growing space an opportunity to cultivate fruits and vegetables. Plots are “leased” for each year that a gardener is registered. Registering a plot does not constitute a transfer of property ownership to the gardener. All applicable laws of New York State and The Village of Sleepy Hollow are to be followed

--All gardeners must be residents of the incorporated Village of Sleepy Hollow. There are no exceptions to this rule. Proof of residency will be required. Leasers must be at least 18 years of age.

--All gardeners must register for their plot each year. A typical gardening season is April-November. There will be a registration deadline each year (dates will vary each year). You may not transfer your plot to another person.

--All plots are to be marked with a sign listing the last name(s) of the gardener(s).

--Gardening times: Only during daylight during park hours. Dawn to dusk is Barnhardt Park code.

--No alteration to plot size is permitted. Each raised bed plot is 6 X 3 in size. Each elevated bed on legs are sized 6 feet X 9 inches and will be given to those residents who physically are unable to use the ground plots.

--All plots must be cleaned out by November 9th. Failure to turn over and clean-out your plot will be considered abandonment of your plot and will result in revocation and reassignment.

--All garden beds must be organic. No pesticides or herbicides are permitted. Fertilizer must be certified organic or compost.

--Maintaining your garden throughout the season is essential. Unattended beds will be taken back and removed by the village with no refund. If you are unable to continue maintaining your garden, please let the parks office know immediately.

--All gardeners are responsible for keeping their bed(s) and the surrounding areas weed-free. The village parks department can assist if notified. NO WEED REPELLENTS/KILLER.

--You are expected to bring your own tools. The village will provide a wheelbarrow and a few items that will be kept in the shed. You may keep some tools in the shed if you label them with your name. If you are donating tools for the users, they also can be kept in the shed. Make sure you keep the shed locked after you leave.

--The water connection is at the inground box next to the shed. Make sure water is turned off and hose is put back in an organized fashion when you are done using.

--Please place all trash in available trash cans and any compost in the compost bins.

--All members will have a combination code for the lock for the main gate and the shed. KEEP THE COMBO NUMBER CONFIDENTIAL. Keep the main gates closed at all times and lock it up if you are the last to leave.

--The Village of Sleepy Hollow reserves the right to revoke the plots of gardeners for failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations. The staff will send a letter or e-mail to anyone considered in violation of any rules and if there is no reply within 10 days, the plot will be considered abandoned.

--Inform the parks and recreation office of any and all concerns. 914 366-5109. Thank you.