



CAC/Climate Smart Dover Task Force
Saturday, September 8, 2018
126 East Duncan Hill Road
Dover Plains, NY

Evan van Hook, Chair, CAC and CSD
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Constance DuHamel
Linda French
Debra Kaufman
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Janet Pickering
Tamar Roman
Councilwoman Jane Meunier

1. Minutes

A. Accept June 9th CAC/CSD Task Force Mtg. Minutes

Agenda Items

2. Update on Draft of Addendum/Epilogue for future NRI
3. View Segment of 8/29/18 TB Meeting on Govt. Operations Greenhouse Gas Studies and Climate Action Plan
4. Updates on Other Climate Smart Grant Deliverables
5. Informational Brochure on DHS Air Quality Monitoring Station
6. Report on June 12th Intermunicipal Meeting about Climate Smart Communities
7. 2019 CFA CSC Grant Proposal for Comprehensive Plan Update Sustainability Element
8. Prepare Recycling Information for Town Residents

9. Adjournment



**Climate Smart Dover Task Force/
Conservation Advisory Council Meeting
September 8, 2018
Dover Town Hall**

Present: Gregory Mendenhall, Katie Palmer-House, Janet Pickering, Tamar Roman and Supervisor Linda French
Regret: Stacy DuHamel

On a motion by Janet, seconded by Gregg, the draft June 9, 2018 meeting minutes were accepted unanimously. Members congratulated Tamar upon her appointment to the Planning Board.

Draft Addendum/Epilogue to Natural Resource Inventory: Katie described the idea of including some additional background on the Town's Climate Smart Communities initiative and transitional paragraphs on two new town-based renewable energy projects in the draft Addendum/Epilogue for the final natural resource inventory. She will email an updated draft when the additional areas are included in the working draft. The Town is investigating a new software program to integrate town parcel files with the zoning code named "Map Links by Zoning Hub." The software can help residents and interested land developers view aspects of individual parcels and their permitted uses that may help stimulate local economic development.

Climate Smart Communities Greenhouse Gas Studies and Climate Action Plan: Members viewed the video segment of the August 29th Town Board Regular Meeting on First Environment's presentation on the draft Greenhouse Gas Inventory, Target Reduction Plan and Climate Action Plan. Members discussed the draft climate action plan initiatives proposed and possible NYS programs that could assist the town with financing of municipal energy cost-savings programs. Katie will forward a copy of the draft document when it has been prepared.

Meeting with other local Climate Smart Communities: It was reported that Linda and Katie met with representatives of the Towns of Amenia, Beekman, Milan and North East on June 12th to share information about their efforts toward certification as Climate Smart Communities. Katie elaborated that outreach to the communities to consider an intermunicipal Climate Smart Communities project was not successful and Amenia and North East decided to pursue their own grant proposals. As a result, Dover prepared and submitted a 2019 CFA Climate Smart Communities certification grant proposal to develop and implement a Sustainability Element chapter in their Comprehensive Plan Update. Katie shared a copy of the grant proposal with the committee members. The grant proposal was submitted at the end of July and grant awards will be made toward the end of December.

Update of Draft Natural Resource Inventory: Gretchen Stevens at Hudsonia posted an updated draft of the natural resource inventory to the Task Force's Dropbox on September 5th. Members were invited to request printed copies for review (if easier to peruse) and submit feedback to Evan at their earliest convenience. Evan offered to compile feedback on the updated draft.

Other Climate Smart Grant Deliverables: Katie reported that HVA was continuing work on the review of policies, plans and publications for the Climate Smart grant.

Information on the Dover (High School) Air Quality Monitoring Station: Printed directions prepared by Cricket Valley Energy on access to the Weather and Air Quality Monitoring Station at Dover High will be sent to task force members. Katie will develop a draft public information brochure on data available through the station's website and forward the draft to members for review and feedback.

Recycling Information for Residents: Janet and Katie will work on preparing draft public information on household recycling that can be posted to the Town's website and printed for the public distribution.

Next Meeting: It was suggested to cancel the October meeting and schedule one for Saturday, November 10th at 9:30 a.m. at Town Hall. Members present were agreeable to this suggestion.

The meeting adjourned about 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Palmer-House