

VOK CLIMATE SMART TASK FORCE, MARCH 12, 2019

ATTENDING:

Bill Mancini (Chairman), Warren Applegate, Rich Phillips (Village Trustee), Tara Donadio, Sustainability Planner (CDRPC), Greg Mumby. Assoc. Community Planner (Climate Action Assocs. LLC), Renee Shur (VOK Office of Economic Development), Ann Birckmayer, Bleu Andersen (community members)

RESIGNATION:

Kim Gray has resigned from the Task Force as of March 4, 2019.

EARTH DAY EVENTS (April 20, 22, 23): W. Applegate reported on community events and programs within the village, at Mario's Home Center and at Kinderhook Memorial Library. He requested funds for publicity.

DISCUSSION OF ALLOCATIONS OF ANTICIPATED AWARD FROM EVCS:

T. Donadio reported that grant award and official designation of Kinderhook as a Climate Smart Community is anticipated within the week. From date of designation March 18th, VOK has 90 days to submit plans for sustainability projects. Both T. Donadio and G. Mumby note that if VOK were to provide partial funding for any proposed project, the status of the application would be enhanced. R. Phillips noted the Village would consider partial funding(s).

G. Mumby discussed specific data related to cost factors of street lighting replacement and possible solarization of Village properties. He is certain that a solar project is "absolutely doable." B. Mancini noted updated solar bids as forwarded to him by Aileen Leventon (Task Force member unable to attend meeting). He will submit them to the board at their budget workshop on March 21st. R. Shur discussed plans and budgetary ranges for Village Parking Lot lighting project. This will also be presented to the board at the workshop. Boiler replacement at Village Hall was discussed. G. Mumby provided cost factors to be considered. This will also be presented to the board at the workshop. . W. Applegate outlined ideas for recycling/composting community education projects.

CCA:

G. Mumby and T. Donadio responded to questions from community members, A. Birckmayer and B. Andersen, about Community Choice Aggregation options in purchasing electricity.

CLIMATE SOLUTIONS CONVERSATION ROUNDTABLE MARCH 18th at 5:30PM:

B. Mancini, Mayor James Dunham, Deputy Mayor Rich Phillips, Trustee David Flaherty and W. Applegate have registered to attend this conference in Hudson. B. Mancini will report on our progress there.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, April 9th at 7PM.