# Notes CSCTF Meeting, 11/17/18

Attending: Suzan Flamm, Bob Moss, Madeleine Israel, Doug Brenner and Colleen Lutz

### **NYSERDA Grant Projects**

## LED Lightbulb Giveaway

Suzan reported that the contract has been signed and submitted to NYSERDA. The town should soon receive the first \$20,000 payment. Madeleine will inquire about town accounting procedures for monitoring grant income and expenditures.

Suzan also reported that Phillips Lighting/Signify has offered to donate up to about 300 4-packs of standard LED bulbs, with free shipping. Phillips need about 10 days' notice to make a delivery. The committee would not have to receive all the bulbs at once, but could time deliveries to outreach events. If more than the donated bulbs are needed, Phillips would charge \$1.50 for each additional 4-pack (retails for \$12.88). Short-term bulb storage is available at Bob's house. Phillips may at some point start a consumer coupon program with one or more of the Philips "houses," such as Walmart and Home Depot.

Bob reported that Central Hudson may be able to redeem coupons on their online store for specialized bulbs. One issue is that Central Hudson's webstore is operated by a third party and would charge for any changes needed to accommodate the coupon program. Our contact there is scheduled to report to us this week. Bob also reported that he met with Ed Harrington of Harrington's about a coupon program with their stores. Ed would like to help and could possibly increase the range of his LED bulb inventory to accommodate the initiative, but there are logistical challenges he would need to address.

The committee discussed the possibility of mailing a standard LED bulb, with information about home energy-efficiency generally, and specifically about the giveaway program, to every town resident. Suzan will find out if Phillips can donate some single bulbs (instead of 4-packs). Colleen and Madeleine will determine the cost of doing a mailing that included a bulb.

Madeleine suggested the name "Ancram's Bright Idea" for the program and Colleen presented a possible logo:

Colleen will reach out to the school district and suggest a student contest to finetune this idea or come up with something else. She will also ask if students are available to work on the design for a webpage and on educational posters for our events.

Suzan will submit the article about CSCTF developments, reviewed by the committee, to Cathy for editing and inclusion in the town newsletter.

Energy Audit and Improvements to Town Facilities

Madeleine will prepare a draft design for these components of the grant based on details in the contract. **Our designs, for all components, are due before the end of 2018**.

#### Community Solar - Update

Outreach for community solar will be included with the outreach planned for the LED lightbulb exchange. One possibility is that a different solar contractor will attend each outreach event.

### LED Replacements for Streetlights

Doug will review the status of this project.

# **Next Meeting**

Instead of a December meeting, the CSCTF will convene for a holiday get-together the afternoon of Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, details to follow. In the meantime, committee members will share and comment on any new committee-related information by email.