

Notes

CSCTF Meeting, 1/20/18

Attending: Suzan Flamm, Colleen Lutz, Doug Brenner, Bob Moss, Greg Mumby and Robyn Reynolds

Clean Energy Communities Program

Ancram completed four high impact items. As a result, on 1/8/18 it was designated a Clean Energy Community by NYSERDA. It may now apply for a NYSERDA grant of up to \$80,000. The grant application is due on April 8th.

NYSERDA Grant Application

Weatherization Program. Art Bassin and Jerry Fultz raised concerns about this proposal. Ideas to address these concerns included using the services of the Affordable Housing Partnership in Albany to help with consumer recruitment, and considering the Columbia Housing Association, which is experienced in weatherization, as a contractor. The committee would also need to better understand currently available funding offered by various government programs for weatherization, and how Ancram's program would fit within the existing framework, as that might be an issue for NYSERDA. Given the time constraints, the decision was to consider a different proposal, but to return to the weatherization idea if there are other grant opportunities.

Energy efficiency for town-operated facilities, and LED replacement program: the committee decided to propose that the grant be used to:

- Conduct energy audits on town hall and the town garage
- Correct all or some of the issues raised by the audit
- Initiate a LED light bulb replacement program available to all town residents

Greg will summarize the grant proposal and distribute it to the committee by 2/1/18. Suzan will send it to Art, for distribution to the Town Board, on 2/8/18, and will request that it be on the agenda for the 2/15/18 TB meeting. Those from the committee who can, will attend that meeting at 7pm.

LED Streetlight Conversion

Earlier this month, Robyn and Jerry accompanied Kevin Harjes, an engineering student at SUNY New Paltz, on an audit of Ancram's streetlights. He created a map which will have accessible metadata. Ancram joined the Mid-Hudson Streetlight Consortium in September 2017. It did not join the Consortium's aggregate RFP, although it would be able to "piggyback" on the RFP at a later date to take advantage of their pricing.

Solarize Campaign

Colleen requested that Solarization be added to the agenda of the Columbia County Environmental Management Council. Both she and Robyn will attend its next meeting on Monday, 1/22, and will report to the Task Force on any developments.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the TF will be on February 17 at 9:30 a.m. Future meetings will be held on the Saturday following the Town Board meeting, typically (but not always) the third Saturday of the month.