

Notes

CSCTF Meeting, 8/19/18

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

NYSERDA Grant

Suzan reported that Greg Mumby and Jill Falchi are not available to assist with the grant. Our liaison at NYSERDA is Chris Reohr (Senior Project Manager). No one responded to the email from the town seeking volunteers for CSCTF.

Chris Reohr offered to arrange a conference call with Mark Witmer, the Supervisor of the Town of Caroline. They have also been awarded a grant for an LED lightbulb exchange.

Those attending the meeting agreed to review the NYSERDA contract terms, particularly the Milestone Table at pages 8-10, and share any issues or concerns. We will then forward it to Art Bassin for review by counsel for the Town.

Colleen will work on outreach and education regarding the LED lightbulb exchange component of the grant. The first step will be a SurveyMonkey questionnaire to be sent to town residents to get a sense of likely participation in the program, and the types of bulbs that would be most in demand. Colleen will also find out whether other climate smart committees in our region would be interested in meeting to discuss their experiences and strategies.

Suzan will write a short article for the town newsletter describing the program and letting town residents know to expect the survey.

Bob will help with the design of the lightbulb exchange. If possible, he and Colleen will join the conference call with Chris Reohr and Mark Witmer regarding that program.

Madeleine will work on the design of the second and third components of the grant, the energy assessment of town facilities, and improvements based on the assessment. She will also try to recruit additional volunteers to join the committee.

At a later stage the committee will decide if it would be useful to seek a college intern (or high school senior) to help with the LED lightbulb exchange program.

Solar Strategies for Ancram

Suzan reported that she met with Tom Carty, a member of Hillsdale's Town Council and of Hillsdale's Climate Smart Committee. He is very interested in a joint approach to community solar.

Next Meeting

The CSCTF will next meet on September 15th.