

## Climate Smart Communities Task Force Meeting Minutes

May 12th, 2020

In attendance via Zoom: Mary Lambert, Brad Dunn, Ion Simonides, Iris Hiskey Arno, Haven Colgate, Anjali Chen

Approval of minutes for April 28 meetings

### Updates

- Bronze resubmission: We should hear back mid-May on how many points we got from our April re-submission.
- We have 10 actions planned for silver.
- Next submission deadline: July 2, but internal deadline early June. (Friday June 5th)

### Project Plan

1. New innovative actions: Mary said a resolution about procuring low embodied carbon concrete had been presented to the BoT, and a vote would be held on Tuesday, May 19. Given the submission deadline, we will not attempt to integrate this into the green building code at this time.
2. Climate change education and engagement: Haven said Mary Beth had reviewed the video she and Spencer produced, and that after a little more work was done on it, a date would be set to present the video to the Department heads.
3. Advanced vehicles: One invoice has been uploaded, and Mary Beth is looking for a second one.
4. HVAC upgrade: Research still being done on this to see if the Village has procured relevant equipment in the last 10 years.
5. Interior lighting upgrade: Mary said she was finishing this up, and needs to find receipts with Aaron's help. Still looking for 4, possibly 5 points here.
6. Planning infrastructure for biking and walking: Mary explained the Village will try and install bike racks in the following locations: Reynolds Field, Zinsser Park, and/or Draper Park.
7. Natural resources inventory: Anjali, Patrick, and Spencer have made significant progress on the report. Anjali credited Patrick for the excellent maps and photography he included. The report will be shared with the Conservation Commission and the Parks and Rec Dept. Mary stressed that public transparency was important, and when the report is complete it will be posted on the Village web site and the community will be invited to give feedback. Anjali said a rough draft report would be ready within a week.

8. Climate vulnerability and resiliency assessment: Brad and Ion reviewed the data research done to date and confirmed that between the results of the community survey and climate data gathered from the Temperate tool, that the three top climate hazards that should concern the Village are 1) Severe storms and flooding, 2) Extreme heat and heat waves, and 3) Insect infestations and invasive species. Next steps: Two workshops will be scheduled to identify the community assets most vulnerable in the future --- one with the Village's Emergency Management Team and one with the community.
9. Green vendors fair: Haven said she was putting together a list of vendors from the Earth Day festivals and gathering other resources for this report. As a way of thanking those who participated --- including local green landscapers --- it was suggested we post a list of them with their contact info online.

Reminders:

- Upload docs as soon as you can to the relevant Google folder. This will make project management easier.
- Cc rest of your Committee on the status of your work.