

Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council
Meeting Location: Top floor of Masonic Hall at the Town Complex,
1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck, NY
Agenda – June 12, 2024 – 5:30pm

Present:

CAC members: Barbara Mansell, Jenn Brown, Jean McAvoy, Joe Phelan

Town Board Liaison: Katherine Mustello

Review and Approve Minutes – May 8, 2024 Minutes

- Joe moves to accept. Barbara seconds. All in favor.

CAC A8090.4	Amount	Spent	Remaining
2024 Budget	\$2,000	\$618	\$1,382

Recent Costs

- Clinton Town Jurisdictional Map printed onto a Foam Board - \$38

Storage possibilities for rolled NRI maps discussion.

- Rolled maps to go in boxed storage. Barbara will get permission for purchasing one of these for the unmounted NRI maps: <https://www.engineersupply.com/manager-25-rolled-document-storage.aspx>
- Barbara will also order one of the metal map racks to hold maps that are on foam core.

Climate Smart Community Task Force – Joe

- Cornell plans to submit application for Bronze certification on July 2nd
- Barbara to get Jenn the list of items of past events for Jenn to put on the website
- NRI Event?
 - Let's wait and see if we get Bronze certification, and if so, let's do a celebration in the fall
- Presentation from Elizabeth Sunat CCE Clean Energy Coordinator was at a recent CSC meeting to share grant opportunities. There is a NYSERDA grant that could be up to \$60K - there is only money until it's gone (time is of the essence). The committee spent time brainstorming how they might use a grant.
- Benchmarking Report is now on LaserFiche. The graphs are missing from the report. Jean will track them down and Jenn will add it to the website when she sends them.

Six Senses Spas

- ZBA has reached a decision that it is a conference center. It's now with the PB. No action needed from CAC right now.

Education Outreach – Lynne

- Clinton Community Library Book and Plant sale follow up

- 25+ visitors to the table
- Barbara has updated the kiosk
- DEC June Tip shared via MailChimp
- CAC Brochure complete
- Create and print for future events: a piece of paper encouraging people to sign up for the town's email updates - include QR code to take people here:
<https://www.townofclinton.com/subscribe/>
- Welcome Folders - add something on native plants?
 - No, let's not print more paper. Let's direct people to the website
- Clinton Community Day - would we partner up with the Garden Club to do a judging of something (flowers or photos)?
 - Yes, **Lynne** can continue to pursue with Melissa
 - Can we make the topic related to native plants somehow? Perhaps the idea of having a few vases or a single large bouquet of flowers and ask people to identify the plants. The person who properly names the most plants gets the bouquet.
- Ash borer problem
 - Jenn to post link to DEC info on website: <https://dec.ny.gov/nature/animals-fish-plants/emerald-ash-borer-eab>

CAC/CSC Website - Jenn

- Last 30 days: 145 visitors; 136 unique visitors; 192 page views; 75 visitors to Spongy Moth page,

Welcome to the Town of Clinton Folders - Mady

- Mady has them all done and is waiting to hear from the town about new deliveries
- **Barbara** to ask Mady if she's keeping track of how many she hands out

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 31, 2024 – Clinton Community Day

Next CAC Meeting: July 10, 2024 @ 5:30pm

2024 Meetings: August 14; September 11; October 9; November 13; December 11.

Submitted by Jenn Brown