

**Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Location: Top floor of the Masonic Hall at the Town Complex**  
**1215 Centre Rd, Rhinebeck, NY**  
**April 12, 2023 Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Barbara Mansell, chair.

**CAC Members:** Al Bacon, Barbara Mansell, Jean McAvoy, Joe Phelan, Margaret Pierpont  
**Town Board Liaison:** Katherine Mustello

<b>2023 Budget</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Remaining</b>
CAC A8090.4*	\$2,700	\$0	\$2,700

\*Details of the budget may be found in the April 12, 2023 agenda.

**Minutes:** The March 8, 2023 minutes were approved by members who had attended the meeting.

**2023 Annual CAC & EMC Roundtable** was on Wednesday, March 22, 2023. Both Joe Phelan, CSC Task Chair, and Barbara Mansell, CAC Chair, wrote the Annual Report that was presented for Clinton.

**Planning Board Applications** – No applications

**CAC&CSC Task Force website**

Al reported that the end of the free trial period with Squarespace is fast approaching. Her outline work would be lost if a subscription was not paid for. Katherine volunteered to follow up with Carol Mackin regarding a means of payment from CAC funds. General discussion on how to create language on the website was key in making it attractive to the public. Margaret and Barbara will meet before the next CAC meeting to work on the CAC section.

**Education Outreach**

Barbara said she would send the power point presentation of “Rain Gardens: How Plants that Love Wet Feet Can Solve Home Garden Issues” to the group. Joe reported positive feedback from his CSC presentation to “Seniors Helping Seniors” on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Joe will email his power point to the group. Lynne is designing a banner for the CAC table for upcoming events.

**CSC Task Force**

Work is continuing work on the completion of a Climate Action Plan. The Hudson Regional Council is working with the Task Force on this. The Road Stream Crossing Inventory & Management Plan is ongoing. Climate Smart Resiliency Plan Emergency Preparedness Strategies for Hazard Mitigation Recovery is ongoing.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Saturday, April 22, 2023:** “Electric Cars” at 10:30am. Register for this event on the Clinton Community Library website via the [calendar](#).

**Saturday, May 6, 2023:** Bird walk at Buttercup Farm Audubon Sanctuary West in observance of Mental Health Awareness Month. Address: 23 Mountain Rd, Stanfordville, NY. Time TBA. Sponsored by the Town of Clinton Recreation Committee.

**Saturday, May 13, 2023:** “Climate Change And How it Relates to the Town of Clinton” at 10:30am. Register for this event on the Clinton Community Library website via the [calendar](#).

**Saturday, May 20, 2023:** Clinton Community Library Book Sale & Plant Sale from 9am to 3pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm. The next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2022, at 5:30pm.

**2023 Meetings:** June 14; July 12; August 9; September 13; October 11; November 8; December 13.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Mansell