

**Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Location: Top floor of Masonic Hall at the Town Complex,**  
**1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck, NY - MASKS REQUIRED**  
**Agenda – February 9, 2022 – 5:30pm**

**Public Comment**

**Review and Approve Minutes** – January 12, 2022 Minutes

<b>CAC A8090.4</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Remaining</b>
2022 Budget	\$2,200*	\$0	\$2,200
Travel: .411	\$100		
Supplies: .481	\$2000 - Earmarked for 6 benches, dog waste stations, plantings and signs.		

**Planning Board Application Reviewed, January 26, 2022** – Barbara Mansell and Jean McAvoy  
Riegert 2 Lot Subdivision – Browning Road and Ruskey Lane.

**Thursday, March 31, 2022, 6:00pm – 8:00pm - 2022 Annual Dutchess County CAC & EMC Roundtable via Zoom** – more information will be emailed after the meeting.

**Website** – update from Mike Whitton

**Pollinator Pathway (PP)**

- “Town of Clinton Property Management” by Maya Goer-Palenzuela status from last month’s meeting.
- Friendship Garden Club update
- “Lazy” Lawn Mowing Helps Pollinators article
- Margaret Pierpont ideas – PP map, Handout on annuals, Joyce Tomaselli presentations, Possible “Walk in the Woods” tour at Omega,

**Climate Smart Task Force**

- Road-Stream Crossing (culverts and bridges) Inventory and Management Plan Zoom Presentation, Friday, January 24, 2022.
- Repair Café
- Green Fair
- Other

**Upcoming Events:**

**Saturday, February 12, 2022, 10am – 2pm – Rhinebeck Repair Café**

Location: Starr Library Community Room, 68 West Market Street, Rhinebeck

**February 18-21, 2022 - Great Backyard Bird Count**

For four days, the world comes together for the love of birds. People spend time in their favorite places watching and counting as many birds as they can find and reporting them. The observations help scientists better understand global bird populations before one of their annual migrations. For more information: <https://www.birdcount.org>

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**“Pollinators: Who/What Are They & Why Do They Matter?”**

As we look at the many pollinators that we are aware of, we also learn about pollinators that contribute enormously to the food web and pollination of flowers in our area. We will learn to identify these animals and learn about their role as a pollinator and crucial food source for other animals.

**Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 10am at Clinton Community Library by Maya Goer-Palenzuela**  
**“Best Native Plant Choices for Our Eco-Region for Threatened Pollinator Survival”**

Plants and pollinators do not understand a sign that says “Welcome to Dutchess County”. By viewing the United States without man-made borders, we zero in on Clinton Corners and surrounding areas. We will learn characteristics of the current biome. We learn what native plants we can nurture, or add to our properties that sustain the greatest amount of wildlife (focusing mainly on pollinators) based on research by Doug Tallamy.

**Thursday, March 31, 2022, 6:00pm – 8:00pm - 2022 Annual Dutchess County CAC & EMC**  
**Roundtable via Zoom**

The Annual Dutchess County CAC (Conservation Advisory Committee) & EMC (Environmental Management Council) Roundtable is an opportunity to hear and learn from the EMC and other CAC/CABs in Dutchess County on the work they have completed in 2021, challenges each has faced, plans for 2022 and an opportunity to discuss and address common goals and challenges.

**Saturday April 2, 2022 at 10am at Clinton Community Library by Maya Goer-Palenzuela**  
**“Property Management: Nurturing Habitat for Non-Humans”**

Can we make small or grand gestures where we live, work and play to cultivate a harmonious relationship with nature? Let’s talk about how old-fashioned techniques of land management are detrimental to our fragile ecosystem, fragmentation, and repairing damage done as we learn more about being responsible land stewards.

**Saturday, May 14, 2022, 11:00am – 3:00pm at Fran Mark Park - Green Fair** More details will be available as we move closer to this date.

**Next Meeting:** March 9, 2022 @ 5:30pm

**2022 Meetings:** April 13; May 11; June 8; July 13; August 10; September 14; October 12; November 9; December 7