

## Information for 2020 Annual Report

### Projects/Work Completed or Ongoing in 2020:

- MAILCHIMP was set up on the town's website
- Created a Climate Smart webpage on the website
- Community Choice Aggregation CCA began June 1, 2020 for all town residents which included an Opt Out Option
- Worked with Hudson Valley Community Solar and the Town Supervisor to encourage residents to sign up with the Community Solar program. For each sign up, \$50 was donated to a ToClinton Sustainability Fund
- Encouraged Town Board via Michael Whitton to send a letter of opposition to the Danskammer Plant in Newburgh
- Wrote letter of support for the Environmental Cooperative at Vassar Barns' application to NFWF Five Star & Urban Waters Restoration Program
- Reviewed 4 applications from the Planning Board
- Approved an Eagle Scout Project to build and install bat boxes in Clinton Nature Trail
- Applied for the Local Champions Pilot grant
- Attended the Stream and Buffer Protection webinar series from the Hudson River Watershed Alliance
- Placed newcomer folders with the Town and environmental information in the offices of the Town Clerk and Clinton Community Library.

### Impacts/Outcomes/Successes:

- MAILCHIMP
- Sustainability Fund
- Did not receive the Local Champions Pilot grant
- Achieved the 4<sup>th</sup> High Impact Action, CCA, in order to become designated a Clean Energy Community.

### Obstacles/Resources or Information Needed:

- Unified Solar Permit needed clarification to fit guidelines
- Like everyone, we missed our meetings in person due to COVID

### Plans for work/projects in 2021

- Build a Climate Smart Task Force
- Apply for CSC grants
- Encourage residents to sign the Pollinator Pathway pledge
- Work with Clinton Community Library by providing environmental programs especially on how a resident can help the town decrease greenhouse emissions at their residences.
- If possible, work with the Summer Camp Director to provide environmental programs.
- Continue updating CAC information and the Climate Smart Program webpages on the town website.
- Continue placing newcomer folders with the Town and environmental information in the offices of the Town Clerk and Clinton Community Library.
- Continue working with the Planning Board, Building Department, and Zoning Board of Appeals in an advisory capacity on subdivisions, site plans, special use permits, community planning and development, and wise use of the town's natural resources.