

MINUTES NYACK CLIMATE SMART COMMITTEE MEETING

March 4, 2025 5:30 PM - [Virtual Meeting](#)

Marcy Denker, Steve Cea, Maegan Ciolino, Harry Vetter, Jim Wilcox, Kier Levesque, Yvonne Rode, Glenn Sungela, Andy Stewart, Andrew Goodwillie, Kim Cross, Ian Graham, Peggy Kurtz, John Cavuto, Frankie Lede, Thomas Schneck

I. QUICK UPDATES

Climate Adaptation: Marcy updated the group on the preparation for the workshop scheduled for March 24, and urged the members to promote the event and completion of the public survey.

Waste Working Group: Marcy briefed the committee on a meeting with the Waste Working Group.

II. EV Charger Ribbon Cutting & Electric Vehicles Promotional - Steve reviewed the purpose of the event. In addition to celebrating the installation of the chargers and continuing Nyack's effort to promote electric vehicles, the event will be an opportunity to recognize our partners and provide outreach on other CSC related priorities.

The Committee discussed a working title for the event and after considering framing it as a ribbon cutting, tailgate party, or grant opening, decided on "The Big Plug In". It will take place in the parking lot at Veterans Park at 15 Cedar Street.

The Committee discussed date and time and decided on Saturday, May 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with a rain date of May 17.

The discussion continued regarding the program. There were ideas of what to include such as music, information tables, raffles, perhaps do the electric slide. Given availability through area businesses, there will be no food provided at the event.

The Committee brainstormed potential guests and information tables as follows:

Guests: Village Officials & Staff, DPW, Orangetown Officials, O&R - PowerReady Program & Business Development Group, NYSERDA - ChargeReady Program, Hudson Valley Regional Council, Electrification Coalition, Local EV Owners, Local EV Dealers, Energy5, Media

Information Tables: Committee Related Environmental Advocates: CCA, Community Solar, Solar Vendors, Food Scraps, Tree Committee, DPW's Electric Landscaping Equipment, Nyack 2030, HS environmental groups/AP, Kathy G. conservation corp., etc.

III. CSC Silver Certification - Marcy and Steve updated the Committee on the status of the application. Marcy has gathered the supporting documentation for a number of actions that would generate more than enough points to qualify for Silver, which is the highest certification level under the program. She intends to submit the application in April. We do not anticipate learning of the status until the summer.

Next - Meeting April 1, 2025 5:30 p.m.