Climate Smart Communities Task Force Meeting June 20, 2019

# Agenda

1. Coordinator letter ready
2. Go over member list
3. Check in about tasks (Village and Green team)
4. CSC action research
5. Next Meeting Date

# Members Present

Shenequa Perry

Rachel Sahm

Becky Jones

Andrew Fagerhiem

Sean Vormwald

Hal McCabe

Patrick Clune

Adam Walling (visitor)

Angela Burchfield

# Green Team Tasks

* Andrew: look into writing html for village website updates (simple updates on the projects that have been completed and ongoing tasks, documents we’ve made, executive orders passed, legislation passed)
* Take a peek at hybrid police SUVs in the future?
* Shenequa: we need to get Sean access to the online portal

# Village Tasks

* Things we need from Dan:
* Look into how a reduction in thermostat temperatures could lower consumption of natural gas / electricity
* Provide documentation regarding smart meters: replacing water meters to see how water is being used, fixing the water main leak
* Look into the thoroughness of current energy assessments, possibly looking into a new one
* Ask City of Cortland and Town of Cortlandville to join a “Buy Local, Buy Green Campaign”
* Offer compost recycling with the water bills? (Earth Machine)
* Look into bus shelters in front of town hall or rec building (join with Cortland?) see which location is most popular

# Research

* Types of power usage
  + Scope 1: natural gas, vehicle (we directly produce it)
  + Scope 2: electricity (we use it, we don’t burn it)
  + Scope 3: broader picture (paper production, etc.)
* Natural gas will be our target to reduce because it is the easiest and highest consumption
  + A boiler retrofit at the firehouse will help reduce this number already, looking into how a thermostat change will affect
  + We can compare the heating bills to better understand the reduction
  + 5% reduction in natural gas consumption will be our target
* Ithaca’s Government Energy Action Plan (useful for research purposes): <http://csc-site-persistent-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/fileadmin/cicbase/documents/2018/2/23/15194130057713.pdf>
* Cayuga Compost picks up food scraps from homes and then sells it (win-win)
* Earth Machine composter, sell to residents to encourage