

Minutes
Climate Smart Task Force Meeting
6/10/21

Ralph welcomed those in Zoom attendance: Ina Cholst, Ralph Smith, Joe Montouri, Corinna Rickard, Wendy Whetsel, Lisa Spittal, Terry Raskyn

Ralph welcomed all to the meeting. This meeting is called to be educated about Sustainable Putnam's work on Community Solar.

Joe Montouri presented a slide show and accompanying information about having Community Solar. He introduced Corinna Rickard who represents Ampion, a company that provides Community Solar. Sustainable Putnam vetted companies who provide Community Solar and Ampion presented the best financial option with many advantages. There are monetary benefits for both the resident and the town. It lowers electric bills by up to 10% and pays the Town \$100 for every sign-up through their portal.

Corinna explained the up-sides of community Solar....no upfront costs, no renovation or construction. Sign up is easy but it takes 2-3 months for the Utility to get Community Solar in the paperwork. All info is on the regular electric bill. No extra bill or paperwork. Plenty of capacity now available in NYSEG territory.

Joe and Corinna indicated a willingness to present to the PV Town Board in July so we look forward to that opportunity.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ralph Smith