

Minutes for Climate Smart Task Force Meeting
October 12, 2012

Members present: Ralph Smith, Wendy Whetsel, Ina Cholst, Marilyn Power, Bruce Barber, Cole Caulfield

Grant Notification has arrived! The \$5000 grant for the Community Solar Campaign appears to have come through and must be claimed by January 12th:

Congratulations! According to our records, the Town of Putnam Valley recently completed a Community Campaign for Community Solar and is eligible for a \$5,000 Action Grant under NYSERDA's Clean Energy Communities program.

You have three months from the date of this email (DUE DATE: JANUARY 12, 2022) to go online and claim your Action Grant. The grant funds will be paid in full directly by check within a few weeks of submitting a completed grant application along with a letter of commitment. For more information, please review the program Guidance Document.

NYSERDA will not be issuing a press release regarding your grant. If you would like to issue a release, please send us a version to review and we will work with our communications department to provide you a quote. Please leave ample time for review prior to planned distribution.

If you have any questions regarding your grant, please do not hesitate to contact your local Clean Energy Communities Coordinator who is working on NYSERDA's behalf to help you navigate the program:

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Thank you for your interest in NYSERDA's Clean Energy Communities Program.

Again, congratulations!

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Some uses by other communities have been:

Pollinator Garden

Salary/Time for CSC Coordinator

Brochures/Mailing for Community Campaign

LED decorative streetlight conversion

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Composting Toilet

Electric lawn equipment/leaf blowers

Match required on private climate-related grant

Food and refreshments at a climate event

Tree planting

Bike racks

PV Parks and Rec also suggested Exercise equipment as a possibility.

An extensive conversation ensued regarding our own ideas for use of the funds (\$5K from NYSERDA and \$7K from Ampion.

Discussions included:

Bike Stands

Bike Repair Stands

Workshops for Bike Repair in Town Park and/or at the Library

Kick Off Events for Bike related items

Bike Paths

Connecting Open Spaces with paths

Tree Mitigation combined with Biking Spaces

Working with Hudson Highlands and/or Scenic Hudson on connecting trails

Using monies for matching grants

Tree City USA

Charging station

Members will attempt to delve into these topics and report back to the group as we gather information.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Smith

Climate Smart Task Force Coordinator