

4/13/2023

Start 6:35pm

Elaine, Lise, Mary Foster, Courtney Jason Angell, Nora Barger, Kathy Talbot, Jamie MacDonald, Janine Melillo, Masha Hamilton

City Passed NRI, DSW2, and Grid Rewards for City Building

Guest Speakers:

Janson Angell and Nora Barger from Working Power

Ecological Citizen's Project

Solar Initiative, Community Owned Solar, owned by community members. Regenerative Investments via local energy.

The Model is Co-Ownership Working Power and Community Partner (financing and Equity) NAACP as possible partner?

Shooting for 1MW+ 20% lower electric bill saving for Low income households. (Peekskill Housing Authority)

Lease Payment to property -

Creation of Community Benefit Fund. \$30,000 - 40,000 for projects.

City Properties are being assessed as well as private buildings and school buildings. Equipment is leased to the properties.

Mary Foster, Hudson Valley H2O mission and goals. Not for profit , passive use of River. Rent kayaks and paddleboards, parks and rec and the general public. They use Peekskill Landing now. They need boat storage by the waterfront. There are different models.

Business:

Need one more member. Need a Corresponding Secretary as well.

Environmental Film Festival April, 19th 2023. 6:30 - 8 pm. Film "Gather" about Native American Food Culture, food sovereignty, and Ecology.

Grid Rewards

80 new users from Peekskill have signed up for our April 2023 event campaign.

Demand response program - Municipal Building Grid Rewards will once assessment of usage is done. Program should help the City save money during peak demand hours.

Kathy Tree Ordinance - we need better enforcement.
Website - no presence or information.

Need to get word out about the permit process.
Lise - Working on FAQ document for use

4/21/2023 1 - 2 pm - Earth Day at the High School, Kay and Carmen and Science Research Students. Promoting Food Scraping. Bedford Students and Anthony Carbone will speak at the event. Sustainable Westchester will also have a table.

New Business

Upcoming Tree Inventory Grant - we will be meeting with one of the software vendors.
Management Plan and Inventory.

Zero Waste Project for Peekskill from WASS and Energy Justice Network.
Vanessa got the City Council okay to do an analysis for the city.

Zero Waste US - class project - gets the city a free plan when it is done.

NRI - we will need to promote and do outreach for this project.

Next Meeting May 11, 2023.