

Minutes of the Kirkland/Clinton Climate Smart Community Task Force

Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Alma Lowry, Coordinator; Sally Carman, Secretary; Alan Cole, Webmaster; Shirley Knop; Kathy Collett; Gerry Gogel; Steve Orvis

The minutes of the meeting on May 2 meeting were approved.

We have lost several members: Laura Sitterly moved and Katie Rockford graduated. Alma put an updated list on Google Drive. She has contacted inactive members and asked if they want to continue on the Task Force.

Electric car show

We will again be joining the classic car show sponsored by the Clinton Fire Department on June 9, 10 - 2. Electric and hybrid car owners to take part include: Maggie Reilly (and perhaps her husband), Steve Orvis, Alma Lowry and Sally Carman. Alan, Sally and Steve will arrive at 9 to help set up. They will take turns sitting at the information table.

Action items: Alan will bring an updated list of incentives offered. Alma will ask Matt or Bryan for a list of the provisions covered by the Inflation Reduction Act as it relates to electric cars.

Farmer's market

We will have a table 2 days in July and 2 in August. Aaron Strong will bring some activities for children. Members of the Kirkland Trail Group will help at the table.

Fourth of July Parade

Alma will talk to Meredith C. who is retiring as a teacher at CCS to see if any parents would be interested in bringing electric cars.

Certification

Alan reported that certain things were not included in the application for Bronze Certification because they were not done within the required time frame. We don't know how many points will be awarded for each category. There may be points for the set up of the Oriskany Creek Watershed Commission. The Fleet Inventory for the Town is complete and Aaron Strong is working on completing the emissions report.

Alma will be meeting with the Clinton Mayor about the ways in which to use the \$10,000 grant from NYSERDA. Send any ideas for this to Alma.

Meetings

We will have a Task Force meeting on June 13 and August 15.

Complete streets

Money was approved from the Downtown Revitalization Initiative for new sidewalks in the Town. The Town Supervisor is concerned about the cost of maintaining these. There will be a public meeting to discuss sidewalks on Wednesday, May 29 at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Municipal Building, with a Town meeting following at 6 p.m. There are easements for these sidewalks available and the money would come from the DRI, not homeowners. A previous agreement that the Village would maintain the sidewalks for five years failed. Those who are unable to attend the meeting can send a letter to the Kirkland Town Board.

Action item: Steve will ask about tree to be donated for the Farmer's Market booth.

Sally Carman
Secretary