

# MONTHLY MEETING, 9/08/2021

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## ATTENDEES

Committee Members: Dan Welsh, Tania Henderson, Sarah Cocco, Christopher Cocco, Robert Fischman

Lewisboro Residents: Lateasha Stapleton

## AGENDA

### Acceptance of the August Meeting Minutes

1. August meeting minutes were accepted

### Membership

1. Lewisboro Civic Organization Outreach - Robert Fischman
  - a. No update
2. Committee interest - Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
  - a. Additional outreach through social media is needed
  - b. A prospective member has contacted the committee, coordination ongoing
  - c. Sarah Cocco to coordinate with town's webmaster to update the committee's website

### Communications

1. Draft Mission Statement - Janet Harckham, Tom Kelly
  - a. No update
2. Katonah- Lewisboro Times Letter to the Editor - Robert Fischman
  - a. Follow-up news item discussing the new EV proposal to the town board.
  - b. Additional topics to develop
    - i. Battery lawn equipment
    - ii. Climate change and what Lewisboro can do
3. Lewisboro Climate Action Items
  - a. Tania to coordinate task forces to identify action items and legislation for review by the committee
4. Town Board Presentation

- a. Dan Welsh to coordinate a 5 minute presentation/ public comment at the next town board meeting discussing climate change, Lewisboro, the surrounding area, and what we can do locally.

## **Alternatives to Automobile Transportation**

1. EV Charging Proposal - Dan Welsh
  - a. The committee review the most recent proposal from Blink Charging and recommended that the proposal be sent to the town board

## **Green Building Technology**

1. Onatru Park building energy data update - Robert Fischman
  - a. Coordination is ongoing
  - b. Joel is to provide historical energy data use in order to establish a baseline

## **Master Plan Development**

1. Town of Lewisboro Steering Committee contribution to the Town's Master Plan - Dan Welsh / Chris Coccaro
  - a. Chris to provide 5-minute PowerPoint slides
  - b. Tania to provide discussion on climate change's impact to Lewisboro to Chris to support PPT

## **Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community**

1. NYSERDA Clean Energy Community Grant - Dan Welsh / Robert Fischman
  - a. Implement battery-powered electric landscape equipment program. The program includes trade-in of gasoline-powered leaf blowers in exchange for a rebate on electric-powered leaf blowers.
  - b. Open Items:
    - i. Mechanism for providing rebate to equipment purchasers from town
    - ii. Advertising to local residents including social media, FAQ websites, and other avenues
    - iii. How much each resident would receive in a rebate
    - iv. Costs associated with disposal of gas-powered leaf blowers
    - v. Develop battery lottery to encourage participation
    - vi. Is this limited to leaf-blowers only or other electric lawn equipment

- c. Action Item: Develop information and program in place for the Lewisboro Library Fair
  - d. Dan to develop a google document that outlines the program, FAQs, and delegates various open items to committee members
2. Additional CEC High Impact Action opportunities - Robert Fischman
  - a. Potential items to implement:
    - i. Implement stretch codes before the end of the year
3. Use of possible grant funds - Robert Fischman and Dan Welsh
4. Town Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory

## **New Business**

- Lewisboro Library Fair - September 18, 2021: Committee participation
  - Booth of the leaf blower rebate program
- NYS CAC Virtual Meeting - October 21-24, 2021 - Janet Harckham

## **NOTES**

- Next meeting October 13th, 2021

## **ACTION ITEMS**

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3. Dan Welsh to coordinate a 5 minute presentation/ public comment at the next town board meeting discussing climate change, Lewisboro, the surrounding area, and what we can do locally.
4. Chris Coccaro to provide 5-minute PowerPoint slides
5. Tania Henderson to provide discussion on climate change's impact to Lewisboro to Chris to support PPT
6. Dan Welsh to develop a google document that outlines the rebate program, FAQs, and delegates various open items to committee members