

## October 31, 2022 ECC meeting

### **Attending:**

Tom Konrad, ECC chair  
Alan Newman, ECC member  
Stuart Leigh, Resident  
Lisa Giannco, ECC member  
Laura Anker, Resident  
Nikita Oarcea, Resident  
Ben Eckstein, SHV

Approval of September minutes, pending corrections.

### **Water Update**

DEP announced an update to the interim Environmental Impact Statement. Towns have asked for an extended comment period to January 17. Ashokan Release Working Group has a special meeting on November 16 to discuss a response. They want to make towns responsible for making requests for releases.

### **Make Your Energy Plan (Your renewable energy plan)**

One person has worked through the plan. Working on how it will look on the website. 3 step process. Step 1: Take the quiz; Step 2: Coach/make your plan; Step 3: sign up to group purchase.

On the website: Add instructions and notes on what systems to go to in the future.

Make the plan a PDF form. Planning to put out flyers announcing the program at locations around Marbletown.

Lisa suggested sending out a flyer or postcard announcing the program; maybe, an ad in BlueStone Press coupled with article.

Target an ad in January. Separate meeting with Lisa, Tom, and Ben on this topic.

### **Update on geothermal network**

NYSERDA changed program for a 50:50 match on scoping study, which is too much for the Town. SUNY Ulster may still do it.

### **Heat pump resolution flyer**

Still to be prepared.

### **IRA**

Towns and nonprofits can do a solar install with a 30% credit. Possibly nonprofits could get together to purchase solar installs and get even better deals; probably should be a county-wide effort. Could put out a RFP.

### **Web**

EV charger video is now onsite.

### **Rondout Valley High School**

The environmental club has increased membership and the number of participating teachers. Now doing data collection on cafeteria food waste. Superintendent interested in onsite composting; working with Mana Jo Green. Working on a waste audit in the cafeteria: Compostable, recyclables, food waste, etc. Next week there is a meeting with Principal. ECC will help with the waste audit.

### **Recycling**

Transfer station is charging extra for composting; should it be free and part of the annual fee? Lisa to contact Daisy. Also, single hauler? Laura: Will look at New Paltz single hauler law and reasoning.

### **Light up Marbletown**

Tom's car with an EGO charger. Considering both the Marbletown and Rosendale parades.

### **Announcements**

Third Thursday Series on November 17: *Pollinators and their Native Plants*.

### **New ECC member**

Unanimously recommended Nikita Oarcea to the Town Board.

**Adjourn: 7:43 pm**

