

Climate Smart Task Force
Hillsdale, New York
Minutes of Meeting
Date: 10/26/2016

Attending: David Lewis, Tom Carty, Augie Sena, Dave Lewis, Howard Henward, Robina Ward, Paul Duernberger

Absent: Alex Sierck

The second meeting of the Hillsdale, NY, Climate Smart Task Force was called to order by David Lewis at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

The following actions were approved:

Election of Officers:

Task Force Chair / Coordinator: David Lewis, Interim basis.

Minutes of 09/28/2016 were reviewed. Approval was voted on with an addition to the Projects paragraph with the wording “for the purpose of preparing a greenhouse gas inventory” after Town Hall. This addition was made to the 9/28/2016 Minutes.

Projects: A general discussion continued from the initial meeting concerning the current status of the town’s solar inventory, greenhouse gas usage (kerosene, diesel, gasoline), and electrical usage by residential, business, and municipal consumers.

Solar discussion centered on: (1) status of New York State Grant funds for solar, (2) Use of short form for Solar Building Permits and possible state reimbursement for use of this form, (3) New York State and New York State Energy Grid regulations for single, simple solar installations, (4) status of the pending Solar Law, and (5) is there a cap on solar reimbursement installations (i.e. 10% or other amount).

Funding: The Climate Smart Task Force was not included in the latest Town Budget and funding methods were discussed. The use of the short form for Solar Building Permits may have a reimbursement to the town of \$2500.00, if adopted. This reimbursement should be allocated to the Climate Smart Task Force.

Next Meeting: 11/16/2016, 7:00PM at the Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Paul Duernberger, Secretary: /s/
