

Attending: Pat, Leah, Carol, Tara. Tim attended via zoom. Haley attended in person.

Heat Smart Campaign Update: There have been five permits and/or installs since February when approved by NYSERDA. We need to submit the names of installer/contractors as well as the evidence of town participation in publicity/education campaign via emails, transfer station tabling two times, publicizing the county event on February 28 that had Gallatin attendees recorded. That should meet the goals of the scoping document for the \$5,000 award/grant.

Haley said NYSERDA had just funded new incentives. If we get an additional 5 heat pumps permits/installs, there is another \$5,000. And could be more with more permits/installs. The NYSERDA Contractor website and search has been improved. NYSCleanHeat.NY.GOV. HeatSmartCapitalRegion.com is also a good site.

The group discussed the need to help simplify the process to help our neighbors/Gallatin residents understand the steps and where to find the information to make informed decisions.

Carol or Pat will report to the Town Board that with NYSERDA approval of 5 names and information, we should be receiving the \$5,000 and it should be earmarked for sustainability or clean energy related projects.

Haley will send us a list of potential eligible uses for the funds.

Community Solar: The scoping document was submitted May 9 and approved by NYSERDA on May 16. Solstice is offering incentives now and are very easy and willing to work with. If we get 10 people to sign up and demonstrate educational publicity with information in the Pine Plains New Herald and Columbia Paper and the information distributed in person at Town Hall, we will get \$5,000 award/grant.

Comprehensive Plan: Public Hearing on June 20.

Carol and Tara will go through to identify points that add up for the Climate Smart Communities.

Next meeting: Tara will do a doodle poll for the next meeting times.