

May 17th 2023 CSC Meeting
Minutes

Committee Members in attendance: Christina Bohnsack, Matthew Mercier, Juila Shanbrom, Tracy Martin; Wendy Fieser

Observing: Kaare Christian. Molly Marquand

April minutes were approved.

Old Business:

Waste

Matthew & Julia attended the ribbon cutting of the digester at the Greenport Transfer station. It can process a 1000 pounds a day. We may try to get the DEC to help us buy a harvester for the water chestnuts and use the digester to process them.

Education

We met with a group at the school--teachers, kitchen staff, the principle-and would like to start a composting program in the fall. We need to confirm they are committed and then we start looking for doners, since we said we'd help to raise money for the program. We'd need about \$5000 for three years.

Community Solar

Cara Humphries says that half the list we signed up last year will start receiving credits, including our town accounts.

Green Fund

The Town Board passed the Green Fund resolution, and there was a healthy discussion of if we should cap the fund or not. We convinced the town board to not cap it, since the fund can continue to fund green projects.

We need to research potential projects such as timers at the sewer plant and solar arrays on the salt shed.

Germantown CARP

Christina is trying to wrangle all the town stakeholders for this meeting, so that everyone can be onboard with the planning.

County CSC Update

There was a lot more talk about the Level 3 chargers. The town in Northern Columbia county are making a big play for them.

We might apply for Zev grant to get a pick-up and more chargers around in the future.

CSC Newsletter

The group divided up writing duties for our latest newsletter, which will likely replace our blow

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.