August 2023 CSC Meeting Minutes

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

Observing: Kaare Christian.

Members of the Public: Noele Flowers, Jan Borchet

July minutes were approved.

Old Business:

Education

We're not sure if we have the check from Joan Davidson, who sadly passed away recently, and the school is still unsure of who should run the composting program, be it the Ozone or the school itself.

Community Solar

The agreement is underway and out of our hands.

County Task Force Update

The Task Force met with supervisors in the Northern Part of the campaign for potential EV locations, after which they will meet with utilities. The County is also working on a Fleet Inventory.

Green Fund

Christina and I toured the Wastewater Treatment Plant with Jacob Gardner from New York Rural Water Association who will give us an audit. Joe has always advocated for VFDs on the blowers, and this would be a perfect use for the Green Revolving Fund.

Water Survey

Jan created a short survey to get a sense of the real water issues in Germantown. We'll try to collect as much data as we can, the better to create a map to help the rezoning committee. We may add more optional questions, re: commercial & ag. We discussed how best to distribute the survey—town newsletter, flyer with QR code.

New Business

Potential Solar Project

Christina asked a friend for an estimate on a Solar Array—ideally on the roof of the highway department—and the estimate came in at roughly 24K. The town will have to budget for this, but they will then be reimbursed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.