

CSG Monthly Update for TB Workshop Meeting- April, 2020

- 1) Due to Coronavirus, many projects, such as Trees for Tribes and Riverkeeper will be postponed, and we are having our monthly CSG Taskforce meetings via teleconference for the time being.
- 2) We continue to work on constructing our EV charging station. The installer met with town officials and initial construction for station has begun in library parking lot. We are hopeful this can be finalized in the next week or two.
- 3) The 2nd annual Go Green Expo was postponed due to Coronavirus.
- 4) We have begun disseminating the CSC model to neighboring Ulster County towns, such as Plattekill and Lloyd.
- 5) We are partnering with Ulster County to create a tent at the Ulster County Fair to showcase green vendors.
- 6) We are speaking with high school students about ways to bring recycling to the new Paltz schools, possibly as part of a Climate Smart Youth Taskforce.
- 7) We are considering implementing a solar array at the landfill.
- 8) We are hoping to create a community inventory of Gardiner's GHG emissions.
- 9) As the CCA resolution recently passed, we are organizing our next steps with CCA administrators.
- 10) We are working with the Ulster County CSC to disseminate CCA to Ulster County municipalities.
- 11) We are tabulating completed Climate Smart Communities actions in order to apply for Climate Smart Communities Bronze Certification and increased access to grant opportunities.
- 12) We are considering options to transition Gardiner's streetlights to LEDs and are hoping to have James Brigagliano speak about Dark Sky standards at our May CSG meeting.
- 13) We are collaborating with the ECC and Open Space Commission on the Gardiner Natural Resource Inventory.
- 14) Rebecca Carucci presented "A Beginner's Guide to a Plant-based Diet" In March.