

## CSG Monthly Update for TB Workshop Meeting- March, 2020

- 1) 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
- 2) The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Go Green Expo is on 3/21 from 11-3 at the Gardiner Firehouse. We have 18 green educators and vendors. This event will be family-friendly and free!
- 3) Kim Mayer has begun disseminating the CSC model to neighboring Ulster County towns, such as Plattekill and Lloyd.
- 4) 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.
- 5) We are considering implementing a solar array at the landfill.
- 6) We are hoping to create a community inventory of Gardiner's GHG emissions.
- 7) The public hearing for CCA is on 3/10 during the Town Board meeting. Through CCA, a municipality can source a clean energy supplier on behalf of their residents and aggregate their buying power, leading to discounted energy for residents. Residents can opt out anytime for free.
- 8) We are beginning to work with the Ulster County CSC to disseminate CCA to Ulster County municipalities. We met again on 2/24/20.
- 9) We are tabulating completed Climate Smart Communities actions in order to apply for Climate Smart Communities Bronze Certification and increased access to grant opportunities.
- 10) We are considering options to transition Gardiner's streetlights to LEDs.
- 11) We are attempting to recruit new members for the CSG Taskforce.
- 12) We are hoping to collaborate with the ECC and Open Space Commission on the Gardiner Natural Resource Inventory.
- 13) We promoted the Gardiner Repair Café's event on 2/23.