

CSG Monthly Update for TB Workshop Meeting- February, 2020

- 1) We continue to work on constructing our EV charging station. We will be connected to the electrical pole in the parking lot, as connection to the library was not feasible.
- 2) We are discussing logistics for our Go Green Expo on 3/21 at the Gardiner Firehouse.
- 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) We are continuing the discussion on Community Choice Aggregation at the Town Board Meetings. 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 1/27/20.
- 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.