

CSG Monthly Update for TB Workshop Meeting- May, 2019

- 1) We continue to explore converting Gardiner's streetlights to LEDs and constructing our EV charging station.
- 2) We completed a municipal fleet inventory to assess GHG emissions.
- 3) We continue to be part of the Climate Action Plan Institute (CAPI), working toward creating an inventory for Gardiner's GHG emissions, setting targets to reduce emissions, and making plans to achieve these targets.
- 4) We are working on developing bylaws for our Taskforce.
- 5) We promoted a Nexamp community solar event in Rosendale on 5/1
- 6) We will have a guest speaker, Andrea Frank, Gardiner resident, at our next meeting on 5/15 to discuss Community Choice Aggregation, whereby 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.
- 7) We will be promoting and participating in this year's Wallkill Riverkeeper Sweep on May 4th.
- 8) We obtained a NYS DEC grant for a kid-friendly, Trees for Tribs program for Gardiner and this event will be on May 19th at Sunday, May 19th from 10am-1pm at Farmer's Turnpike and Sand Hill Road:
"New York State's Trees for Tribs Program has been working to reforest New York's tributaries, or small creeks and streams, which flow into and feed larger rivers and lakes. The goal of the program is to plant young trees and shrubs along stream corridors, also known as riparian areas, in order to prevent erosion, increase flood water retention, improve wildlife and stream habitat, as well as protect water quality."