

Sullivan County Agriculture and Sustainability Policy Committee

August 7, 2014 AGENDA 2:00 PM

Committee Members:

Cindy Kurpil Gieger, Chair, Cora Edwards, Vice-Chair, Gene Benson, Alan Sorensen, Kitty Vetter

Call to Order Attendance

Comments: Committee Chair

Reports:

- 1. Office of Sustainable Energy (OSE) Monthly Report- Carol Roig & Stephen Stuart
- 2. Agricultural Report- Melinda Meddaugh
- 3. IDA Agricultural Update

Presentation:

1. Summer Meal Program - Chef Andrew Yeomans

Discussion:

1. Power Purchase Agreement vs Solar Comparison – Carol Roig

Resolutions: None

Public Comment
Adjourn

OSE Activities Report for August 2014

Reporting on July 2014 activities

I. ENERGY MANAGEMENT FOR SC FACILITIES

NYPA Potential for HVAC replacement at SC Government Center

DPW is assessing NYPA's initial proposal for Government Center; OSE will work to support and provide any research requested to clarify DPW's potential revisions to the plan.

Power Purchase Agreements for County/Municipal Operations

Solar City has filed the application with NYSERDA for the PPA for 2MW solar installation plus battery storage at the Liberty Health Complex. Initial response looks favorable, especially because the installation will be at a County health facility.

Energy Consultation Services

OSE met with Bill Bassett of ECG, a Long Island based company that does comprehensive energy retrofits for municipal, school and non-profit buildings, including financing and issuing RFPs for all contracted work. In future, this could be an alternative to NYPA for similar work at County facilities.

II. Energy Improvement Corporation/C-PACE Program

EIC is scheduled to make a presentation at the Executive Committee on August 21st. Elyssa Roth of EIC has scheduled individual meetings with key County staff as requested.

III. SC CLIMATE ACTION PLAN/CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES

OSE is starting to develop the scope of the Community portion of the Climate Action Plan. We hope to reconvene the Advisory Board in September to continue this work.

- CSC Program and VHB consultants are starting to define the certification process requirements and benefits.
- County and towns need to designate CSC coordinators.

IV. OUTREACH

• NACL Theatre's Weather Project concludes Saturday, August 9th in Yulan. SASD will present information on recycling, conservation of water resources, and renewable energy systems.

V. COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PLAN

SASD was interviewed by the staff of LSC Transportation Consultants, Inc. and provided follow-up information regarding energy efficiency and alternative fuel vehicles for County transportation choices.

Carol Roig and Stephen Stuart 7-29-14