



Sullivan County Agriculture and Sustainability Policy Committee

September 12, 2017 AGENDA
12:30 PM

Committee Members:

Catherine Owens, Chair, Nadia Rasjz, Vice-Chair, Mark McCarthy, Terri Ward, Scott Samuelson

Call to Order

Attendance

Comments: Committee Chair

Reports:

1. Office of Sustainable Energy – Heather Brown
2. Parks and Recreation- Brian Scardefield
3. Agricultural Report- Melinda Meddaugh

Presentation: None

Discussion: None

Resolutions: None

Public Comment

Adjourn



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Sullivan County Office of Sustainable Energy Monthly Report for July 2017

Climate Smart Communities

- Additional actions were submitted to DEC toward our Bronze certification.

Electric Vehicles

- We anticipate receiving at least 3 applications for the third and final round of the EV Charging Infrastructure reimbursement program.
- OSE has been in contact with Sustainable Hudson Valley and is coordinating efforts to bring ride and drive events to Sullivan County.

Solarize Sullivan

- The County continues its support of the Solarize campaign. September is the last month to sign up for the program. A webinar has been scheduled which will allow potential participants to learn more about the program from the comfort of their own home or place of work.

Benchmarking

- OSE met the first deadline for the County's benchmarking policy by completing data entry in Portfolio Manager by September 1, 2017. We are in the process of running test reports and identifying the best way to present the data in a clear and understandable way on the County's website. Final reports will be posted no later than December 1, 2017 as per the Benchmarking Policy.

Outreach

- Staff continues to provide assistance to the Town of Bethel in reviewing a feasibility study for a solar array to provide electricity to the town and/or the community. Staff also accompanied Town representatives on a visit to Clarkstown to discuss their solar field, and how a similar project may work in a Sullivan County municipality.

- The Town of Highland reached out to OSE for assistance in completing their benchmarking data entry and analysis prior to their own September 1 deadline, and we were successful in doing so.
- OSE is drafting an Information and Resource Guide which we hope to have available by the beginning of 2018. The purpose of this guide will be to distribute basic information on various programs and opportunities for residents and businesses and farms.

Meetings/Events

- Met with staff from Public Works to discuss incorporation of sustainable elements into future County projects.
- Toured Sullivan County Community College facilities and met with staff to discuss potential partnerships (training, educational events, electric vehicle charging stations, etc)
- Met with Planning to discuss most effective methods of community outreach to educate local leaders about how they can tap into available resources to bring EV charging capabilities to their municipalities as well as how they can plan for and encourage more widespread deployment of the technology.



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Monthly Report
Agriculture & Sustainability Committee Meeting – September 14, 2017

Workforce for Development Summer Youth Employment program and the Clean Team did a terrific job building the trail over at the Health and Family Service Complex in Liberty. We took a tour of the trail with Colleen Emery from Renaissance to show her the progress of the trail. With the grant money we are receiving from them we are looking to install signage, benches and add more chips to the trail.

I attended a meeting with the Planning Department and the company that is researching the possibilities of connecting the sections of the O&W rail trail in Sullivan County.

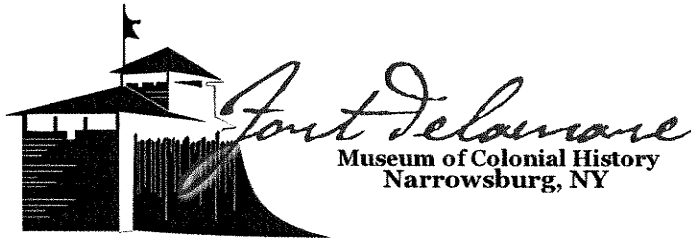
Shared Services: I have been meeting on a weekly basis with the Town of Liberty Park and Recreation staff and Supervisor.

DPW installed the benches at Minisink Battleground that were part of the grant project through The Delaware Company.







Lake Superior: We had to close down for some days at the end of August because we did not have enough lifeguards due to staff returning to college. I reached out to other pool and beach areas and all of them were running into the same situation which I know from years past is always a problem at the end of the season. I want to reach out to other municipalities during the winter months and brainstorm some ideas with them to try and get more guards for the season. The beach closes for the season Labor Day weekend.

Fort Delaware has been going very well. They have been busy and have a lot of great events on the weekends. The Fort is going to stay open on Saturdays and Sundays through Columbus Day in October. Attached is the September/October event schedule.

Sullivan County Cultural Center: I had the clean team working on the landscape around the building. We also had some stuff that was ruined from the broken water main hauled away.



Special Events Calendar – SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2017

<p>September 1-4</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Labor Day Weekend</u></p> <p>Friday- “Johnny Appleseed” by Jodie Shephard Story time and Apple crafts @ 1pm Sunday- Colonial Scavenger Hunt with prizes Monday- Mortar firing demonstration</p>
<p>September 9 – 10</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Bullet Casting – Soap Making</u></p> <p>Saturday- Colonial Bullet Casting Demonstration Sunday- Colonial Soap Making</p>
<p>September 16 - 17</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Regular Fort Delaware Activities</u></p> <p>Costumed interpreters demonstrate and discuss the lifestyle of the settlers and various skills necessary for survival at the time.</p>
<p>September 23 - 24</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Colonial Bee Keeping</u></p> <p>Bee Skep Making Demonstrations Colonial uses of Bee’s wax and honey All weekend</p>
<p>September 30 -October 1</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Colonial Harvest and Food Preservation</u></p> <p>Preparing for winter Demonstrations of food preservation techniques All weekend</p>
<p>October 7- 9</p> 	<p align="center"><u>A Colonial Haunting</u></p> <p>Traditions and superstitions of Colonial America All weekend</p>

Now Through Labor Day

Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

After Labor Day through Columbus Day

Saturday & Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm - Open the Monday of Columbus Day

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