

TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
**Conservation**  
Advisory Commission



**Monday, 6/27/ 2022, at 7:00 PM**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDEES: **CAC:** Susan Karnes Hecht, Pam Kingsley, Lorraine Mirabella; **Town:** Michael Welti, Director of Planning; **Visitors:** Ken Snodgrass, Director of Locust Grove, Marcy Wagman, member Locust Grove Board of Trustees

AGENDA:

1. Meeting called to order 7:02 pm.
2. Minutes from 5/23/2022 approved.
3. Discussion of opportunities for partnership between the CAC/CSTF and Locust Grove to benefit town residents. Some possibilities are a pollinator program for the public, an electric vehicle (EV) event, a BioBlitz, putting Locust Grove on the Pollinator Pathway map. LG wants to raise their profile in the community. CAC will offer their brochures at our table at the Arlington Street Fair (Sept 17). Discussion of the fact that LG is between the Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery and the IBM property. Scenic Hudson may be interested in the IBM property for a possible town park to be maintained by a <friends of> organization. This property is off Rivercrest Rd.
4. Discussion of the draft Open Space Plan. It was received on 6/24 and will be reviewed by the core team. The team will Zoom with MJ on 7/12. The Revised OSP should be here by the next meeting on 8/22. By the fall, we want it to be ready for the Town Board. Discussion of how MJ will present the NRI/OSP to the board, likely at a 2nd Wednesday workshop meeting. Mike mentioned that some Board members are new and are unfamiliar with the process. Ultimately, there would be a vote on a resolution to accept the NRI/OSP by the Board.
5. Discussion of the Pollinator Pathway project; Susan and Margaret are working with Janet McHugh of the Town Rec Dept to plant native gardens in one park in each Ward
6. Update on Climate Smart Task Force by Susan: Town has received CSTF grants from the state; CSTF is proposing that one go toward a program for small business owners and the other toward the purchase of an EV for the Town. It was noted that the Town is getting 5 dual ports for charging EVs.
6. Meeting adjourned 7:53 pm

Next meeting: Monday, August 22, 2022, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall.