



**Town of Poughkeepsie
Conservation Advisory Commission (CAC)**

**Monday, January 27 at 7:00 PM
Conference Room, Town Hall**

Minutes

Present: CAC Members Kerstin Cruger, Susan Karnes Hecht, Lorraine Mirabella and Margaret Slomin. Susan stepped in as acting Chair in Pam Kingsley's Absence

- Minutes from 12.30.19 meeting were approved
- Susan Karnes Hecht, CAC member and Chair of the Climate Smart Task Force updated the group (<http://www.townofpoughkeepsie.com/cstf/index.html>):
 - Climate Smart Planning Tool and Assessment accompanied by goals and priorities will be presented to the Town of Poughkeepsie Board on February 19.
 - Climate Action Planning Institute (CAPI) grant will be moving forward. The Town will participate in a collaborative working group with eight other municipalities to complete individual government operations' greenhouse gas inventories and climate action plans that will outline emissions reduction targets, strategies, and projects.
 - Climate Smart Task Force asked for support from the CAC to explore the following programs:
 - Composting bins for town residents.
 - Trees for Tributaries program.
 - Enhancing opportunities for biking and walking.
- **Action:** No Action Required
- Susan has an appointment with the Town Supervisor to discuss public engagement outlets for both CAC and Climate Smart Task Force.
 - **Action:** Susan will report findings at the February meeting
- Margaret and Susan met with Susan Ianucci from the Ralph T. Waterman Bird Club (<https://watermanbirdclub.org>)
 - **Action:** Margaret will provide an overview at the February meeting
- Discussion of the CAC Member Directory Form and CAC & EMC Annual Roundtable - Tuesday, February 25 at 6:30 pm at the Farm and Home Center, Millbrook
 - **Action:** Kerstin will complete and submit the form. Lorraine and Susan will represent the CAC at the Annual Roundtable and report back at the March meeting.

Next meeting: Monday, February 24 at 7:00 pm

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