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Speaker Amanda Lavelle Ulster County Climate Smart Committee

Our town climate Smart Committee. Andy is coordinator. Has a core group.  
No real good progress. State keeps changing requirements and membership has dwindled.  
We need to do some of studies.  
County is bringing on another staff for technical support for towns. And help navigating thru grants.

Amanda presents county climate action plan for reducing county emissions via government wide activities.  
Structured as a template that towns can follow.  
Resiliency and sustainability are in background.

Regular meeting:  
Rail trail- working on getting a grader for northern section. Hopefully this spring.  
Library grant - seeing if some of money can be used for rail trail or signage.

Trees for tribs: Walkkill body shop may be interested. Next to Stewart's.  
Trees for tribs by Lions Club in picket park next to bridge.

Invasive species. NYSDEC willing to do presentation on invasive species.  
April 22nd

St Patrick's Day parade. Handing out tree seedlings. Funding: John will find funding for us. 1000 seedlings. Need to prep them: bagging. Instructions.  
Info on Why it's important to plant trees?

Getting integrated with school. No luck.  
Goal: what students are doing for the environment.  
What is the level of awareness?  
Students perspective. Maybe administration later.

Maps for Galeville trails. Signage needed. Trail maps both park and town hall.  
Trails maintenance by Dave.

County EMC meeting issue: Danskammer being retrofitted to natural gas.

New mega solar site on Plains Road scaled back. PB meeting on Feb 4th.  
Our law has max 20 ac for solar array. This applicant came in really big.

Recapture clause of fallow ag land. If ag land lies fallow and reverts to wetlands, corps recognizes them as wetland.  
Direct piles allowed in wetlands for solar.  
Southern corner of Malloy and Albany Post parcel will need an EMC site visit. SHPO flag on it. Robin putting package together.

EMC members should review Comprehensive Plan. Copy online. Comment period is done.

Chinese have bought Donner property.