Town of Shandaken, NY CAC minutes for April 21, 2025

Attending members: Beth Waterman, Karen Lee, Nicole Caputo, Catherine del Tufo Robert Drake guest

6:36 Pledge of allegiance

Minutes for March approved by Waterman and seconded by Lee and Caputo

R Drake discusses CRS (community ratings system) and the impact that the Shandaken Prepares event will have on the town's ratings score. Town board asks to include info on the CAC mailing announcing the event.

Drake also responds to question about NYSERDA award for the purchase of official town ev and installation of charger for said vehicle

Waterman asks Lee to contact M Cioffi about food for Shandaken Prepares event

Discussion moves on to next informational meeting with the topic of fire. Waterman has been contacting local fire depts, rangers, etc. The consensus was that Brian Perez, of NYSDEC, should be contacted to speak. This event will probably be held during a regular CAC monthly meeting. All attending members exchange ideas for a fire preparedness meeting. Waterman suggests "Firewise" website for ideas.

## Announcements

Love Your Park Day May 3rd Parish Field

UCRRA "eco-friendly home" May 28 Pine Hill Community Center (sign in sheet help needed) Mention of an offer for funds to plant a "street tree" and possible location ideas ensue

Community compost has been graciously taken over by N Caputo. Adjustments to the accepted material have been updated.

Comprehensive Plan survey responses (about 400) are being reviewed

Pollinator Pathway locations mentioned for flood zone buy back properties now owned by town International Dark Sky week is underway and del Tufo mentions potential contact with local resorts, inns, etc to educate regarding the benefits of Dark Sky certification

More discussion of pollinator garden locations ensues pinpointing Simpson Mini Park, Phoenicia

7:32 Caputo motions to adjourn, Lee seconds