

Accomplishments and activities of the Sustainability Committee during the course of the year

- promoted use of Renewable Diesel in all municipal diesel trucks
- developed and sought a contract for a ~60 kW DPW solar canopy
- secured contractor for installation of EV chargers at the train station
- enlisted and welcomed new committee members
- extended terms for NY DEC and NYSERDA grant contracts
- hosted Committee table and exhibit at Earth Day
- initiated a textile recycling booth at Earth Day
- continued oversight and operation of the food scrap program and community gardens
- supported and monitored another residential Solarize campaign
- researched options for new revenue: community solar for street lighting accounts, demand response payments for new EV charger installation, leasing rent for new battery installation, federal DirectPay incentive for solar installations
- held walking tour of train station canopies for Yonkers Groundwork Hudson Valley group
- held 9 zoom meetings of the Committee that addressed those and other issues
- secured/pursued various media coverage of our activities (e.g., Journal News 1/12/25 feature)

Recommendations made to the Village Board (via communications with the Village Manager)

- fund and expand the food scrap program to include a new scrap shed and equipment
- sign EV charger installation contract
- pursue installation of ~60 kW DPW solar canopy funded by NYSERDA grant

Areas of collaboration with other committees

- Earth Day participation via the CAC
- promoted and photographed CAC's Repair Café

Goals and priorities for the upcoming year

- purchase and install 18 more EV charge ports at the train station parking lot
- award contract for and install a ~60 kW solar canopy at the DPW parking lot
- expand use of Renewable Diesel to all Village diesel trucks
- expand food scrap recycling program participation
- develop Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at or near the Municipal Place facility
- near year's end, replace six old Harmon firehouse rooftop A/C units with heat pumps

Budget requests

- \$6K appropriation for food scrap program expansion
- grant-funded Municipal Solar contract for assistance with DPW solar canopy development