

Village of Ardsley Conservation and Environment Advisory Committee (CEAC)

AGENDA

Thursday, December 2, 2021, 7-8 pm via Zoom

(Committee meets the first Thursday of October, December, February, April, & June)

via Zoom / open to the public.

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Date / Time: Dec 2, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Zoom Meeting link

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Facilitators:

See below

Committee members

Asha Bencosme, co-Chair

Steve Edelstein, Trustee liaison

Eda Kapsis, co-Chair

Lorraine Kuhn, member

Dave Lew, member

Carol Sommerfield, member

Glenn Weinberg, member

Opening – Dave

1. Upcoming Events:

a. Social Event/Seed swap

Carol

i. Date: Saturday, December 11; rain date 12th. 11 am - 1 pm at 23 Orlando Avenue

b. January Pollinator Pathway Get Together: Birdscaping your Yard.

Carol

January 12, 2022, 7:30 - 8:30 via Zoom

c. *The Sacrifice Zone* film screening

Asha

i. Collaboration with AHS ETF and AMDI

- ii. Date: Thursday, January 13
- d. Work on progress: milestones for 2021/22 Carol

- 2. Building from the 2021/22 committee plan of July 2021 Eda
 - a. Update naming and communications with a goal to simplify outreach and effectiveness to the community, advisory to BoT, as well as CSC/CEC Task Force and Village Hall collaborations.
 - i. Committee has discovered that the terms conservation and environment are outdated, uninformative/ambiguous, hard to remember, and easily jumbled. Use of 'climate' brings greater accuracy and purpose for the scope of work and goals for advisory, and it better informs community outreach efforts.
 - b. Note: ArdsleyCAN and its Pollinator Pathway project will remain in use under the CAC and specifically brand community outreach efforts.

To advise the BoT on upcoming new planned events/proposals:

- a. Ardsley 1st Repair Cafe, Fall 2022, integrated into Community Garage Sale
- b. Food scrap diversion / curbside pickup: more information will be supplied on the merits via a slide deck from NY DEC
- c. Highlighting the benefits for the Village for performing Open Space & Natural Resource Inventories that are aligned with the Comp Plan and zoning in the Village. We see alignment in partnership on the project with Pace / Dwarka consultants and further information can be supplied to them if you see merit in doing so. There are also significant grants available for this land work.
- c. Focus community outreach entirely from 'ArdsleyCAN', ArdsleyCAN by 2030!, and Ardsley Pollinator Pathway.
 - 1. Channels: monthly eNews & Tips via ArdsleyCAN@gmail.com, also posted to new Facebook account, Twitter
 - a. Introduce neighbor vignettes / testimonials
 - 2. Full Going GREEN in Ardsley will continue via Village 'Ardsley Connects'
- d. Updated sub-committee plan
 - i. Sub-committees
 - 1. ArdsleyCAN
 - a. Pollinator Pathway
 - b. Environmental Justice
 - 2. BoT Advisory / intermunicipal collaborations
 - 3. Steering
- e. Liaisons and new member
 - i. Board Liaisons

- 1. Asha Bencosme, Climate Advisory Committee
 - 2. Steve Edelstein, Pollinator Pathway
- ii. New student member
 - 1. Luke Inoue, AHS Environmental Task Force
- f. NOTE: All members to sign Oath Book at Village Hall after Dec. 6

- 3. Sustainable Westchester / EnergySmart HOMES Ardsley Asha
 - a. Update on review in progress

- 4. Pending date, review and advisory for BoT Eda
 - a. 2021/22 Committee Plan
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- 5. Q&A

- 6. Closing - Carol

Next meeting is Thursday, February 3, 2021