

# **VOL CSC-CEC Task Force**

## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 08/15/2024 (via Zoom)

Attendees: Ronny Hardaway, Kathleen Yen, Lynn Leopold, Jerry Sheng, Chris Skawski

Meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM.

## **FATHOM SUMMARY**

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### **VOL CSC/CEC Task Force Meeting - August 15**

#### **[VIEW RECORDING - 80 mins \(No highlights\)](#)**

#### **[Climate change impacts and heat emergencies @ 0:00](#)**

The board recognizes that climate change is increasing the frequency and duration of heat emergencies in the region, which impacts weather patterns, the environment, and public health. This context is important for justifying the need for the shade structure policy.

#### **[Shade structure policy @ 3:50](#)**

The board is drafting a resolution to promote the development of shaded areas on village property during construction projects. The policy aims to provide more shade to mitigate the impacts of increasing heat emergencies. The resolution will be presented to the trustees for consideration at an upcoming meeting.

#### **[Cooling centers @ 8:59](#)**

The village currently relies on the county's list of designated cooling centers, including the mall and a CFCU office space. The board discussed whether the village should identify and promote any additional cooling centers, but concluded that the existing resources are sufficient for now.

#### **[Green infrastructure and stormwater management @ 14:22](#)**

The board discussed incorporating more green infrastructure like rain gardens and vegetated swales into the village's stormwater management plan. This could help slow water runoff and improve water quality. The board will explore updating village policies and codes to encourage these practices, potentially drawing on resources from the regional stormwater coalition.

### **Clean energy grants @ 1:06:29**

The village has applied for two NYSERDA grants - a \$5,000 general clean energy grant and a \$10,000 targeted grant. The board will wait to hear about the grant awards before determining how to best utilize the funding, such as for electric landscaping equipment or community tree planting.

### **Next steps and meeting schedule @ 1:19:00**

The board will follow up on next steps, including presenting the shade structure policy to the trustees, identifying potential clean energy projects for the grants, and rescheduling the next task force meeting to avoid a conflict with the Nikon conference.

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.