

CAST Meeting Minutes Oct 5, 2022

Present: John Reid, Dana Clawson, Lee Michaelides, Carolyn Hooper, Ashton Todd,

Minutes from September 14 meeting approved.

Wilder 1 Solar Project: Still waiting for the view shed analysis. Special meeting with the Planning Commission will be called after the document is submitted.

Climate Action Reserve Fund: Money is in hand. Itl needs to be coded into the system. Next budget cycle might get \$30K out into the account.

Grant Writing: Discussed the issues with applying for grants via the Hartford town government. Wondered if CAST might be able to partner with someone like BALE or Vital Communities as the non-profit that could be partnered with.

CAST Projects 2023: Laura is willing to lead the Solarize Hartford project. Dana asks if now is the time for a Solarize campaign based on the unknown aspects of the tax incentives. Carolyn asked about a Weatherize Hartford campaign. Are there other things we can do to lower the carbon footprint besides solar panels? Hartland is doing a weatherization campaign— perhaps CAST could reach out to them for ideas. CAST might work with Cat Buxton and her website for public information resources.

Wilder Food Forest: Carolyn will reach out to the school to see if this project is feasible.
Next Meeting Oct 19 @ 5 PM