

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REPORT TO TOWN BOARD
October 27, 2025

Our Recycle, Reuse, Repurpose Community Day of Giving event of September 21 was well received. We are grateful to our community members who generously donated items and attended the event. Nine civic groups received various donations that will be used to help feed, clothe, or enhance the lives of their respective recipients. Our thanks especially to Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency for participating with an interactive quiz of what qualifies to be recycled. Our youngest organizer, Logan, was inspirational. He is collecting student school supplies and art supplies for redistribution to other students. Those items can be deposited at the Sarah Hull Hallock Library, including used crayons which are melted down to become triangular for people who have a hard time holding the smaller round crayons. I learned quite a few lessons from that young man. There is also a shoe drive taking place and usable shoes can be left at Hazel Rose Bakery. Our can tab jug in the lobby of the police station is getting a bit fuller every month. Food drives will need many donations this year, so keep a lookout on our Facebook page for related announcements.

We are anticipating a date that Central Hudson will be connecting electricity to the EV charging stations and looking forward to completion of that project for the townspeople and visitors to our Town.

We continue to follow the newest challenge to the Ridgeline protection law that was revised last year. The CAC will plan their November meeting to coincide with the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on November 8 in order to follow an appeal to the ZBA in regards to the Ridgeline code. We emphasize that the intent of the present code is to keep the visual and physical appearance of the Marlborough mountains on our western horizon, looking from the east, as an uninterrupted line of treetops growing along and on top of the ridgeline. We will be reviewing Code 155 again to prepare for a potential hearing on the appeal.

Respectfully submitted,
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