

Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council (CAC)

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**Meeting Location: Top floor of Masonic Hall at the Town Complex,
1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck, NY
Agenda – July 8, 2026 – 5:00pm**

Review and Approve Minutes – June 10, 2026 Minutes were taken by Barbara Mansell.

CAC A8090.4	Amount	Spent	Remaining
2026 Budget	\$3,400	\$1171.60	\$ 2228.40

Planning Board Update

Comprehensive Plan Committee Update – Michael

Clinton Community Library (CCL)&CAC Partnership for Educational Events on the Norene Collier Nature Trail - Six folks including Lynne participated in the Summer Walk Series: Bird Walk led by Barbara on Saturday, June 20th, 2026. Nick will be leading an Invasive Plant Walk on Saturday, July 18th. Nick suggests a possible “What to do before winter” program in October.

CAC/CSC Website (www.clintoncac.com) – Ray and Barbara Mansell

A new tab and webpage for the Norene Collier Nature Trail has been added. CSC information needs to be updated. Nick and I met on June 16th to discuss adding a “Supporting Pollinators” page on website. Nick will work on introductory paragraph. Nick suggests deleting “Emerald Ash Borer”, “Spongy Moth” and “Spotted Lanternfly” off “Bird, Bees & Wildlife” page. **SquareSpace is very difficult to work with.**

Dutchess County Materials Management Information with Recycle Coach – Email sent by Dutchess County Department of Planning & Development. The Recycle Coach aims to avoid confusion about recycling and encourage responsible materials management. It can be accessed via computer or by downloading a free application to your smartphone, making the information easily accessible to County residents. This information should be sent out to the town and possibly added to the CAC website.

Town Website - CAC and CSC Agendas and Minutes updated as well as on the Laserfiche.

Clinton Summer Camp at Fran Mark Park – Barbara and Jean

We contacted Camp Director, Alaina Dampf, to offer programs. Week July 6 - 10 - Barbara will play Bird Bingo; Week July 13 - 17 – Jean; Week August 3 - 7 – Jean; Week August 10 – 14 – Barbara

Climate Smart Communities Task Force – Joe

Still awaiting news regarding the RIT Grant that could provide a Composting Workshop for the town. Climate Vulnerability Assessment survey distributed via Mail Chimp, front page of the Town Website, Clinton Community Bulletin FB and Town of Clinton FB. Library and Town Hall. Barbara attached the 2026-05-26-CSC-Minutes and 2026-06-23-CSC-Agenda to the CAC meeting notice.

Revisit Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council Postcards in 2027 – Deborah

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, July 18, 2026 - CCL&CAC Partnership - Summer Walk Series: Invasive Plant Walk with Nick

Saturday, August 15, 2026 - CCL&CAC Partnership - Summer Walk Series: Butterfly Walk with Barbara

Saturday, September 19, 2026 - CCL&CAC Partnership - Summer Walk Series: Meditative Nature Walk with Margaret

Next CAC Meeting: August 12, 2026 @ 5:30pm

2026 Meetings: September 9; October 14; November 11 (Veteran's Day?); December 9.