

**VILLAGE OF TUXEDO PARK**  
80 LORILLARD ROAD  
TUXEDO PARK, NEW YORK 10987

David C. McFadden  
Mayor

February 2, 2023

Dear Neighbors,

To identify sources of GHG emissions that can be reduced cost effectively and to establish a baseline against which future emission can be measured, our CSC Task Force conducted an inventory of Village GHG emissions for the year 2018 (report attached). Using the inventory and bearing in mind the age of Village fossil fuel fired heating systems, we are exploring their replacement with heat pumps. We are also studying the feasibility of installing solar panels on municipal property and replacing Village vehicles with EV's and/or hybrids.

Working with the Town's CSC Task Force, chaired by Michele Lindsay, we are investigating a way to place our entire community on electricity produced by renewable sources of energy. This program, called Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), allows several communities to bargain with renewable energy suppliers for cost effective multi-year electricity contracts. If adopted, any resident wanting to receive their electricity another way can opt-out of the program at any time.

The electricity would continue to be delivered and billed by Orange and Rockland Utilities. Public meetings to explain this program will be held as follows:

- Tuxedo Park Library on February 9 at 7 PM, and on March 4 at 3 PM
- The BOT meeting on February 15 at 7 PM
- The CSC Task Force will host a Zoom only meeting on February 16 at 7 PM

The two task forces are also working on ways to increase recycling efficiency in both communities. The Village Task Force is currently working on a Municipal Government Climate Action Plan to be presented to the BOT and will draft a Community Action Plan. The latter will include the Village's residential sector, the Tuxedo Club and the Tuxedo Park School. This work will require participation by individuals from each of these sectors. Anyone interested in helping is welcome, if so please contact Jim Hays [jimhays@ldeo.columbia.edu](mailto:jimhays@ldeo.columbia.edu). Help can range from being part of an e-mail chain, through which ideas are shared, to a willingness to take on specific tasks. Participation by community members is important to our achieving our goals.

Sincerely,

Mayor David McFadden

