

Catskill Advisory Group, Meeting #21

December 09, 2021

Attendees, DEC staff: Mikaela Hameline, Peter Frank, Sara Hart, McCrea Burnham.

Attendees, CAG members: Michelle Yost, Lisa Lyons, Jeff Senterman, Cathy Pedler, Joshua Ginsberg, David Kukle, Adam Bosch, Melissa Abramson, Matthew Shook, Adrienne Larys.

Guest participants: Cheryl Amrani and Mamie A. Parker (Mamie Parker and Associates), Andy Mossey (Catskill Center).

Welcome and introductions:

- Round robin introductions/ reviewed agenda.
- Reviewed community rules.

Celebrated the completion of the Interim Report:

- Public feedback is important to the CAG.
- Press release will go out, encouraging public comment.
- CAG members will provide quotes from their organizations as they see appropriate.

Discussed process to move forward with Final Report:

- CAG members decided not to move forward with writing groups that facilitators suggested. CAG plans to revisit this suggestion at a later time.
- Some CAG members proposed to catalog items/ideas and then decide at a full CAG meeting how to group them and how to develop them.
- Need to incorporate public feedback.
- Some themes might need to be renamed; some might need to be added.
- Final report might not be done by end of May, and that is ok.
- Final report should have section about implementation.
- CAG members agreed that a sub-group of four members will meet with facilitators to have a process discussion prior to next CAG meeting.
- CAG members agreed that a sub-group of four CAG members will share at the next meeting their list of missing items/ideas.

Gap Analysis

- Reviewed what has been done so far by the Gap Analysis sub-group.
- Presented where the currently identified six missing topics could fit in the Final Report.

Presentation by Andy Mossey (Catskill Center) on stewardship efforts in the Catskill Park:

- Presented on 2021 stewardship efforts at specific hot spots.

Next steps/homework for CAG:

- CAG members will provide quotes for press release if they so choose.
- A sub-group of CAG members will meet with facilitators to have a process discussion prior to next CAG meeting.