

Conservation Advisory Committee Report to the Town Board April 13, 2023

1. I would like to inform you of two upcoming public events, and ask that the Copake CAC has the Board's approval to cosponsor these events.

- **Nature's Best Hope:** Earth Day at the Grange: Saturday April 22nd from 3:30 -5

Grassroots "call to action" to regenerate biodiversity and ecosystem function by planting natives and creating new ecosystem networks. A 45-minute video presentation will be followed by a 30-minute Q&A session with Copake CAC member Brian Boom and Columbia Land Conservancy President Troy Weldy.

- **Homegrown National Park:** Saturday April 29th at 3 pm

This will be a very similar event, co-sponsored by the Ancram and Hillsdale CACs, Friends of Taconic State Park, the Ancram Resilient Farm and Garden Group, and the Roe Jan Library. In addition to approval to cosponsor this event, the Ancram CAC has asked us if we would be able to share the cost of wildflower seeds which will be distributed to attendees. \$80

2. Participation in the Punch Brook-Roe Jan Kill Watershed Characterization Advisory Committee

Community Volunteers are working with the Hudson River Watershed Alliance to create a watershed characterization for part of the Roeliff Jansen Kill watershed that includes the Punch Brook, a stream that flows into the Roe Jan Kill. I have been invited to serve on the Advisory Committee, and I request that the board recognize my participation as an official representative of the Town of Copake.

3. Copake Committee of Mohican Allyship

Edgar Master has forwarded to me a letter from Mr. Bradley Pitt. I understand that this new committee will be a Sub Committee of the CAC.

4. We have responded to the Planning Boards request for a review of the major subdivision in Copake Lake in a letter to Bob Haight on April 12, 2023

Respectfully,
Mary Ann Carrick