

SUSTAINABLE SOUTHAMPTON GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 4, 2024
3:45 PM – 6:00 PM
Town Hall Lower Level Meeting Room
And on Zoom

Current Projects:

Grants – Victoria/Gary

- Continue to urge Town to aggressively pursue grant funding associated with NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities grant program. It was mentioned that Town Board member Lasilli asked for a letter of recommendation from the Committee.

Draft Letter on the Topic of changes to the town website

- Councilman Lasilli supported requests and suggested no formal letter needed to accomplish objectives. Instead, simply send to his legislative aide Paul Godfrey/ pgodfrey@southamptontownny.gov and cc: lasilli, the changes requested in an email.
- Initial changes discussed included:
 1. The webpage be updated with the names of members whom the Town Board approved effective 2024
 2. A process for making updates to the committee page be established
 3. A mechanism be established whereby Southampton Town residents, visitors, and commercial establishments have a way to contact the committee
 4. While much of the content still applies, the page links to Southampton 400+ plan of 2013, and does not mention the 2023 Climate Action Plan.
- Future additions to Town website discussed:
 1. List of accomplishments (Evan, Tip, Adrienne)
 2. Events (Darr, Lynn)

Skip the Stuff – Susanne

- Attended Suffolk County legislative meetings, many lobbyists, Ann Welker/Steve Englebright are co-sponsors
- Initiated petition
- Publicity in the EE Beacon, Southampton Press Viewpoint
- If they accept amendments today, goes to committee, then be voted by legislature July
- E Hampton Village has approved it

Community Composting – Joe

- Joe indicated that he is still waiting for Tom Hughton to follow-up with the DEC so the pilot we've been discussing since 2023 can move forward. Is town staff no longer supporting this effort or just too busy to get to it?
- Michael Iasilli requested Joe to provide info via email in order to move the pilot forward

SOLID WASTE/LANDFILL OPERATIONS

- Summary: Solid waste is outside the scope of the Sustainability Committee however the committee would like to put it on the agenda of a future meeting
- Last LI landfill is going to close in 2025. Glorian said the Suffolk County Exec putting together a committee to address problem county wide
- Where does Southampton's garbage go?
 - TJS: Board mindset is that waste management needs to break even, may have to change the Enterprise Zone model
 - Amy: Garbage is a town function versus private enterprise. Not solving the problem just moving it. References Europe how garbage goes out of the trash stream. All waste is bad .. what happened to reduce, reuse, recycle?
 - Darr: those who generate more should pay more
 - Mark M: can Tom Houghton come to a future meeting and explain where town solid waste goes and what we pay for it and what options we may have. Solid waste is a service everyone needs to pay for it.
 - MI: how to move towards municipal pick-up. In order to have oversight. Maybe a pilot. Maybe an economic benefit

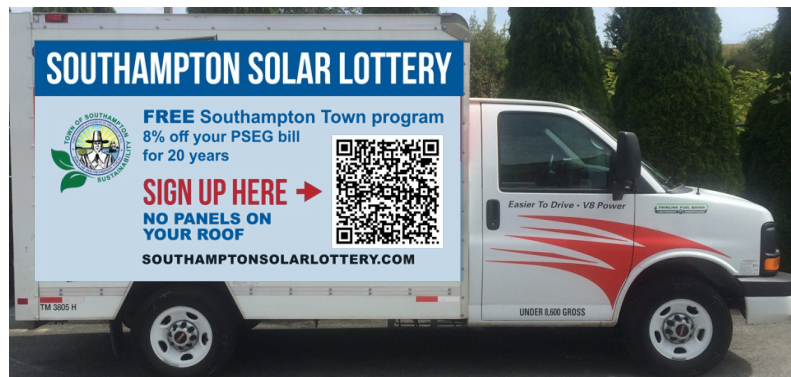
- Darr, Lena: investigate what is being done by Southold, E Hampton, Sag Harbor, measure methane reduction & transportation reduction. CREW model .. presentation
- 2 bills in NYS legislature

Outreach – Adrienne

- Wants to continue to hand out information at well attended events.
- MI: committee members are encouraged to engage with CACs and the general public at Town Events, reach out to Paula Godfrey/MI’s legislative aide for contact information
- July 4th parade update (as of June 28th)
 - All committee member invited to march directly in front of a rolling billboard promotion for the Community Solar project.
 - Three members will carry a banner like this:



- Instructions for July 4th: arrive at the Southampton LIRR station plaza by 8am and park your car in Our Lady of Poland Church parking lot. Be prepared to walk back to your car from Agawam Park where the parade ends.
- Find this truck



Visors & small American Flags will be distributed that morning, a \$20 donation toward that cost is optional.



LETS HOPE WE HAVE GOOD WEATHER!!

Gas Leave Blower Ban – Dieter

- DL: Total ban Southampton Village, should we introduce it here?
- What's been the outreach/communication
- MI: let's hear from Ryan Murphy .. how many SOS calls, Enforcement is questionable, safety, who gets ticketed
- Darr: need to galvanize public support to communicate to board this is important
- TJS: since the town legislation only recently went into effect, recommending we wait to see a cycle(year) before we ask to expand it. Other attendees agreed.

South fork commuter coalition

- documentation discussed and circulated.

Attendees:

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