

***Sustainable Southampton Green Advisory Committee
Town of Southampton
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Minutes Sep 5, 2023 3:45 PM – 5:30 PM

Next Meeting: Oct 3 3:45

Town Hall

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Guest Speaker		9/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kevin McAllister – sand replenishment. Masters in Dune Management along the shoreline. On coastal shoreline sources of sand depending upon prevailing wind drives sand onto beach where it dries (offshore/onshore cycle). Winter storms cyclical and beaches will narrow. Army core does not manage sand across the inlets efficiently. Longshore current drives sand east to west. ○ Explained why the shoals develop inside and outside the in-let. ○ Detailed the impact of seawalls

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Times article (headline misleading) sand replenishment is a short time measure, very expensive, e.g. \$7M for 2 miles in Quogue. ○ Dredging: where to go for sand .. need beach compatible sand. Logistics: difficult to schedule, lots of competition for dredging equipment up and down the Atlantic Coast. ○ Recommending be cognizant of this issue. Mwe have not had a major storm in years. ○ Example: FI to Montauk (sand replenishment) Army Corp of Engineers. Will be cost sharing arrangement vis-a-vis taxing districts. ○ Recommending: need to understand and plan for future
Climate Action Plan update	Tip	9/5 7/18 6/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Postpone to next meeting. Dieter sent feedback to Janice Sign-up for Sustainability Distribution List here: https://www.southamptontownny.gov/list.aspx ○ Electric only new NYS code expected – Tip recommended wait ○ J Barrows invited to DOE sponsored ambient energy forum, what can be done to take pressure off GRID infrastructure which is not robust enough to take increased load from electrification ○ Tip met/provided comments & concerns to consultant/Rambol & Janice ○ GHG inventory was referenced but not provided in draft, would be supplied with final report ○ Too many prioritized or subjective stmts ○ Draft report by summer to include GHG inventory ○ Link to meeting https://www.southamptontownny.gov/1810/Climate-Action-Plan ○ after checking w/Janice, Tip to share draft and solicit feedback from committee ○ committee to consider recommendation to Janice: let's get together with Rambol to discuss concerns, etc.
Electrify new buildings	Tip	7/18 6/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● from Lena: Because we will run out of time I just want you all to know that the EH Energy & Sustainability Committee unanimously passed the All-Electric Buildings Act recommendation yesterday AND , also unanimously, passed a recommendation to amend our Ban Gas Leaf Blowers which will eliminate them altogether 1/1/2025 which is also the date that all new construction will be electric — assuming that the Town Board follows our recommendation. ● Incentives to electrify existing buildings ● Tip delivered presentation to committee ● Councilman Bouvier indicated lack of support ● Suggested that committee make recommendation to educate Board Members at an upcoming worksession ● Action: Tip to compare NYS Law to what proposing locally
CCA	Lynn	9/5 6/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Supply RFP responses delayed to week of Sep 5 ● Bridgehampton library presentation sept 18th ● Power Supply RFP responses due June 25 ● Link to recorded education: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MeeWhGRAnCA
CDG Community Solar	Lynn	6/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Successful outreach efforts, typically 100% sign up rate at face-to-face presentations ● Approximately 100 residents signed up of which > 60% self-identified as LMI ● Action: enter names into the subscription portal as soon as Joule and Kearsarge provide it ● Action: the first 25 subscribers will be submitted to NYSEEDA Clean Energy Communities program
Skip The Stuff / Plastic Reduction	Susanne Jansson	9/5 7/18	<p>Stuff: NYC & N Westchester passed law in march unless you ask for condiments, paper plates & utensils (40% of liter in ocean from this Stuff) Actively working on 3 tasks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One 2. Two 3. Dialogue for likeminded community members <p>Please contact Susanne if interested in volunteering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plans to initiate the ‘Skip the stuff’ campaign ● Reached out to legislators to understand what can be re-used from their programs. 100M plastic bowls, utensils & cups. 19B utensils used by restaurants. Ask about their outreach. ● Need to get info on impacts to human health <p>Resources: https://climatechangeresources.org/learn-more/health/health-pollution/plastics/</p>
Community Communication	Kimberly Evan	9/5 7/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No funding for IT or public education ● Lena indicated that E Hampton planning a monthly event at LTV ● Dieter, Glorian, and Tip to review and then to members ● Not enough participation in TH meetings ● Community doesn't know what we do ● Desire for new blood ● Kicked around and discarded the idea of a survey until we can come up with a good reason ● Need meeting minutes organized well with commitments documented. Commitment list, dates, who responsible ● Debra Keller drives email blasts off 3 distribution lists ● Difficult for New members to be productive .. need onboarding process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public communications .. need to inventory important things we are doing. Consider communicating the 10 things that are critical ● Actions: Take a look at website, Tip to share previous method of communicating minutes & how to get things done, Tip will ask for link so we can see Climate Action Plan survey results, Kimberly/Evan to aggregate content re: what do we have to work with
BESS moratorium	Lynn	7/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lynn invited committee members to participate on a sub-committee with the aim of drafting a letter of recommendation to the TB on this topic. ● will organize a Zoom call and agenda to discuss whether the committee should Tip, David, Dieter
Coastal Resilience	Helen	7/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● JB said - - FI to Montauk project - will be visiting homeowners that boarder northern estuary of the bay, raise homes at risk of flood

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Charging Station Infrastructure	Laurie	7/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom has all grants in place. Laurie advocating for a charging station at the Bridgehampton workforce housing project (Laurie) Lena happy to be source of information Add'l Resources: https://www.danspapers.com/2023/07/rove-relaunch-tesla-free-ride-hamptons/ https://climatechangeresources.org/learn-more/transportation/charging-stations/
Community Composting	Joe	7/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dieter asking what role can committee play? E Hampton executing pilot Ask Tom Houghton to present town's plans at next meeting
Membership / Bylaws	Dieter	9/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New members can send EV to co-chair asking to be a new member, submitted to town board Dieter sending to members asking for comments. please reply all by October 1. Discussion and vote at October 3rd meeting
Municipal Works plan	Tom	9/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For 2023/2024 focusing on electrification: central garage, solar on town hall roof., Flanders/North Sea replacing with air source heat pump (5 projects). Studies to reduce carbon footprint Old Noyack schoolhouse, town barn Try to get back on board with repurposing some materials (try to reuse) Trying to increase recycling rate Private carters – do they separate recyclables? Too much Municipal Solid Waste in waste stream. Recently installed EV charging station at Good Ground Park. Tom's goal is to install Level 2 chargers in Town. Next locations: 3 stations at town hall, Flanders 2 stations Privately: 10 charging stations going in at King Kullen/Hampton Bays Rick: need to replace EV charging stations at Ponquogue Beach
Next Meeting		7/18 6/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should we go back to 2 meetings/month? Universal agreement to meet over summer Talked about setting attendance policy, i.e. must show up for 60% meeting to retain committee membership Action: investigate using Zoom to avoid summer traffic. Multiple members (Tip, Lynn) have Zoom licenses