

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 7, 2017 Southampton Town Hall

Members present: D. Von Lehsten (DVL), L. Arthur (LA), J. Burmeister (JB), N. Palumbo (NP), B. Chaleff (BC), J. Keller (JK), L. James (LJ)

Non-members present: Councilman J. Bouvier (CJB), L. Gepes (LG)

Presentation: Tom Neely – Public Transportation Update

Guests: Supervisor J. Schneiderman (SJS), CPF Manager M. Wilson (MW)

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM. Meeting minutes from January 17, 2017 were accepted.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: Tom Neely presented a brief overview of two transportation research studies-the Sustainable East End Development Strategies report (SEEDS) and the Volpe Study of East End Public Transportation-as well as results from the ‘South Fork Commuter Connection’ (SFCC) train & shuttle bus service operated in 2007-2008. These were provided as background to the current effort to restart the SFCC service. The SFCC service is tentatively slated to start in spring 2018. More information on this service will be provided as plans are developed. Copies of the SEEDS and Volpe Studies are available at: <http://www.southamptontownny.gov/263/East-End-Transportation-Council>

Supervisor Schneiderman and Mary Wilson spoke about CPF Organic Enhanced Easement for Farmland and the components involved; (80% food production, affirmative & affordable farming convents, resale restrictions plus a requirement that the farmland be organically farmed). The farmland would be required to be certified organic via the NYS program or NOFA standards which may be considered more rigorous prior to the acquisition and the farmland remain in compliance with the USDA National Organic Program (NOP) in perpetuity; all certifications, inspections, compliance, etc. would be the purview of NY State. To learn more please visit: <http://www.nofa.org>

1. EDUCATION

- a. Town Employees
- b. Homeowners and Other Residents
- c. Business Owners
- d. Primary School Education
- e. Educational signage
- f. Food Production & Consumption
- g. Outreach

2. WATER

- a. Regional Clean Water Coalition
- b. Surface Water Quality
- c. Education
- d. Regulated Water Conservation
- e. Water Treatment and Reuse
- f. Landscape Management
- g. Drinking Water Quality
- h. Groundwater Protection
- i. Stormwater Management

- j. Wetlands Protection

- k. Floodplains

- l. Planning and Emergency Mgmt

3. ECONOMICS

- a. Sustainability Index
- b. Green Business Development
- c. Resource Sharing
- d. Affordable Housing
- e. Sustainable Economy

4. LAND USE

- a. Climate Action Plan
- b. Land Use.
- c. Open Space Preservation
- d. New Open space
- e. Biomass Preservation
- f. Environmental Restoration
- g. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- h. Heat Island Effect

5. TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY

- a. Idling Reduction
- b. Bicycle
- c. Complete Streets
- d. Demand – Reduce VMT
- e. Public Transportation
- f. Parking
- g. Reduced Emissions Alt Fuel - LA – contractor is awaiting additional information – placement of charging station in order to provide cost estimate. TN – provided NYS bid specifications for battery electric vehicles that will be used to obtain bids from manufacturers and for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.
- h. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- i. Resilient Infrastructure

6. ENERGY / CARBON

- a. Long Term Energy Planning
- b. Energy and Carbon
- c. Clean Energy Renewable – LA – Renewal RFD Deepwater wind; there is a serve need in Southampton for yr. 2022 and beyond. We need the capacity to embrace clean energy plan. If the TOSH adopts Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) it would allow the town to contract for itself, encourage other developers and make a decision on who gets the contract.
- d. Energy and Carbon Reduction –Education - LA- Tested a new presentation with Southampton Rotary Club. Tri-Energy has been regionalized using 90% of the concept and has four solar partners: SolarCity, Empower; GreenLogic and SunNation.

7. GREEN BUILDING

- a. Sustainable New Construction
- b. Green Building Education.
- c. Water Efficiency in Buildings
- d. Heat Island Effect - Roofs

8. WASTE

- a. Municipal Facility Recycling
- b. Comprehensive E Waste Recycling
- c. Plastic Recycling
- d. Organic Waste
- e. Waste Education -
- f. School Recycling/Trex
- g. Materials Exchange
- h. Paper
- i. Building waste
- j. Hazardous Waste
- k. Product Stewardship

- l. Long Term Waste Planning

9. QUALITY OF LIFE

- a. Promotion of Physical Activity
- b. Local Food
- c. Air Quality
- d. Facade Improvement
- e. Education
- f. Emergency Preparedness

10. STEWARDSHIP

- a. Trail Preservation -
- b. Historic Places
- c. Fisheries
- d. Nutrients in Environment
- e. Education Vacant Land
- f. Forest and Vegetation

**** Meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday February 21st, 2017 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.**