

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 8, 2017 Southampton Town Hall

Members present: G. Berk (GB), J. Burmeister (JB), G. Raacke (GR), N. Palumbo (NP), B. Chaleff (BC), J. Keller (JK), L. James (LJ), S. Carlin (SC), J. Scherer (JS), A. Reisman (AR), J. Halsey Dupree (JHD)

Non-members present: Councilman J.Bouvier (CJB), F. Zappone (FZ), C. Fetten (CF), J. Halsey (JH), L. Gepes (LG)

Guest: Kristen Doulos, Director of Parks and Recreation; Presentation on Redevelopment of the Ponquogue Beach Bathing Facility.

Meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM. Meeting minutes from February 21st, 2017 were accepted.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: KD -The Ponquogue Beach in Hampton Bays which was built in 1966, has weathered many storms and is in need of some work. In order to determine what aesthetics should be considered, a three point survey was performed. They consisted of online survey, input during work sessions and two public meetings with questions/suggestions as to what elements individuals would like to see incorporated in the plan. Consultants, community members had an interest in natural materials. Proposal plans included but not limited to: Ipe, a sustainable wood, incorporate solar chimney, increased lighting in restrooms, waterless urinal and toilets. The scope has become a facelift of the current facility. Consultants are looking at alternate power, wind, solar FZ - analysis is that there is not enough surface area to provide adequate solar on the building, it needs to be investigated and if it can be implemented. KD – During the last work session we determined we have more inquiries for the consultants, compiling answers to inquiries so we can have a more concise plan in the next 2 – 3 weeks. Then we move forward with RFP and Engineering Plans, progress from there is based on the budget. For more information please visit: <http://www.southamptontownny.gov/977/Ponquogue-Beach-Bathing-Facility>

GB will that include all elements of green? If we have comments can we interject before the deal is solidified? NP I saw this presentation, the key redevelopment goals. I was looking for the elements and saw an upgrade landscaping, not what I hoped for. This committee and what we are trying to do, we're working to promote solar and the town has an opportunity to lead by example, show its commitment to the environment. GB – This committee hasn't been part of this project, suggest using this pavilion as a learning tool, signs indicting the sustainability items used, a tutorial could pay high dividends. As a committee we need to sit down and use the 400+ plan there are at least half a dozen to two dozen projects that should be discussed and elements that should be included.

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 – BC- requested a letter from the committee to the board to approve / support the proposed Philips Ave. Housing Authority project. JH motioned to write a letter of support, 2nd by AR, JS recused, all in favor – request was approved.
- e. Sustainable Economy –CF -NYSERA awards have been distributed. We had 2 of 4 approved, the 3rd was rejected, we provided additional information and it was accepted. NP – this was the idea NYSERA was hoping for. There are still incentives for purchasing vehicles by the end of March, \$5k.

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 – CF we are getting two new bike lockers at the Bridgehampton train station. NP Suffolk County Economic Development is making a pitch for regional bike sharing.
- c. Complete Streets
- d. Demand – Reduce VMT
- e. Public Transportation
- f. Parking
- g. Reduced Emissions Alt Fuel – CF – Received mini bid back, two potential charging station, and an electrical vehicle. No state awarded contract. Haven't spoken to the board for a vendor.
- h. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- i. Resilient Infrastructure

6. ENERGY / CARBON

- a. Long Term Energy Planning – FZ – a draft of CCA (Community Choice Aggregation) was created and modeled after Westchester work that was done. On March 23, 2017 work session the draft is to be presented to the board who would then consider regulation, hold at least one public hearing, vote on approving legislation to be incorporated into code.
- b. Energy and Carbon
- c. Clean Energy Renewable
- d. Energy and Carbon Reduction
- e. Education –

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 – JS Crop farm's and food production is different than sod farms. There has to be a place for solar, brown fields. JHD we agree solar is a good thing, People are working diligently to reduce nitrates. We are familiar with it. I have two more years of data. We need to know the limits, we are finding out a lot of information. Three wells where placed downstream and we requested a fourth well be placed at the beginning of our property. We're making/taking every effort, we know what our data is and working to keep it at bay. CJB learning/teaching how we manage fertilizer is a good partnership. JH I invite anyone who want to visit our farm to see what/how we work to keep nitrates and pesticides at bay, we eat and drink the same water and 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 6:02 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday March 21st, 2017 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.**