

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 21, 2017 Southampton Town Hall

Members present: D. Von Lehsten (DVL), G. Berk (GB), J. Burmeister (JB), G. Raacke (GR), N. Palumbo (NP), B. Chaleff (BC), J. Keller (JK), S. Carlin (SC), A. Reisman (AR), L. Arthur (LA)

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

Meeting was called to order at 4:07 PM. Meeting minutes from March 7th, 2017 were accepted.

Presentation of Bike Trails Bike Sharing by Mike Bottini (he was unable to attend) Nick Palumbo lead the discussion for Regional Bike Share Program. Looking for letter of support from the Town to the County Executive relating to the proposal for a regional bike share program. 2004 we had 13 bike shares worldwide, today over 855 worldwide, with over 700,000 bikes deployed. CF – similar to Citi bikes. NP recently bikes have been taking technology to a new level, they are not just kiosk based some companies put it on the bikes. No permanent installation, there is GPS, electronic locks, card readers which ID's you and allows you to unlock the bike. It's a lot better model easier to scale and deploy. You do not have to bring bikes back to a specific location. Smart bikes if someone takes a bike and leaves it at a random location, anyone can see it, borrow it from that location. There is an incentive to bring them back to the station for credits on their accounts. GB – you have to join? NP not necessarily, sign up through an app. GB does it have to be unlocked remotely? NP lots of these things are in operation thought-out the world. Can we collaborate throughout the county? Most vendors want minimum deployment and I think it works better. You want to be able to access bikes on both forks, it allows a lot of flexibility. Bike share aligns with Connect Long Island Vision and Bus Rapid Transit Plan (BRT) as well as Suffolk County Initiatives. GR this ties into the LIRR's plans. GB suggests the county would be the vendor with corridor entity, umbrella contract for each municipality based upon need. CF – county contract you could buy a hub. DVL is there a chance for a support letter? CJB ties into beach access, unknown costs and overhead to the town. NP In city of Portland it was funded almost all by Nike, Citi provided all the capital for all the infrastructure. JB safety worries me. NP most people's perception is safety and our view there is more incentive for municipalities to build out bike lanes. Copenhagen uses bike sharing as a mode of work transportation. CJB have you reached out to Stan on the board here, he does business with many business and would be a great resource. NP great suggestion, the more entities the county can get things rolling, a regional approach larger interconnect system but locally there is a lot of flexibility. LA Westhampton Beach Trustees will give you a letter, I've presented to them. NP We're making a presentation to Suffolk County Village Association and it was their executive committee initial said it's unsafe, 2% tax cap persuade most to reconsider. DVL where do we go from here? TOS letter of support, CJB I'd like the board to hear more, they will ask cost questions right away. NP some can't be answered until the proposals come back. DVL letter doesn't lock the town into paying for anything. CF it will promote inclusion. CJB letter of support measured up with favorable cost we would love to explore. Call my office to set something up, work session is 10am every Thursday.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: SC – Good Ground Park (GGP) last session this board should have a presentation to see what Sustainability actions are being included and provide input. April 18th, The Ecological Culture Initiative will host a second screening of Seed: The Untold Story Hampton Bays. CJB I did an interview with Newsday that went of 1.5 hours, it was interesting they decided to cover everything that is done here and with CPF and Southampton trying to work in tandem with East Hampton. DVL Committee's presentation has three points: where are we going, how it relates to Southampton as part of the 400+ plan and how to proceed? We looked at all the minutes and think we will be able to go to the Town Board. We got the condensed list of capital projects and want to know how we can help bring in Sustainability. SC bringing up 400+, condense it, the final version is going to be hard, then set up work session with the Town Board. GB we need to address the best way to insert ourselves on decisions the town is making. Should there be some sort of formal process. CJB charter advisor, how you get advice to decision makers: through work session, liaison, bring in front of the board will make a bigger impact. SC the website has been static for a long time, maybe we can revamp it. CJB increase visibility, and 10 chapters should link to it from our webpage. SC may be there are ways to automate it.

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 –*GB League of Woman Voters is hosting a public forum at Rogers Memorial Library, 91 Coopers Farm Rd. SHV on 4/17/17, at 6:30pm on wind farm, Clint from Deepwater, NYSEDA and PSE&G will be on hand.*

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 *GR Deepwater wind held public forum in East Hampton on 3/9/17, had information stations around the room, approx.150 people attended. DVL – some commercial fisherman feel when windmills are turning the vibration impacts the fish*
- 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- *CF we expect delivery of Nissan Leaf next Thursday.*
- h. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- i. Resilient Infrastructure

6. ENERGY / CARBON

- a. Long Term Energy Planning – *LA spoke to Glenn to get it back on work session prior to implementation plan we owe it to the board to provide feedback as NYSEDA is providing feedback.*
- b. Energy and Carbon *LA working on new initiatives, healthy homes, PBI energy audits to determine the healthiness of homes. Infancy stage, more to come.*
- c. Clean Energy Renewable
- d. Energy and Carbon Reduction –*NP meeting with Southampton Village to adopt green zone: Agawam Park, meeting with Mayor and some of his staff.*
- 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 –*CF STOP day has been scheduled, it's posted online there are 4 days this year.*
- 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 *AR would like to visit this topic.*
- c. Fisheries
- d. Nutrients in Environment
- e. Education Vacant Land
- f. Forest and Vegetation

**** Meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday April 4th, 2017 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.**