

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 3, 2017 Southampton Town Hall

Members present: G. Berk (GB), N. Palumbo (NP) L. Arthur (LA), J. Barrows (JB), S. Carlin (SC), J. Burmeister (JB), J. Scherer (JS)

Non-members present: F. Zappone (FZ), T. Neely (TN), L. Vosilla (LV)

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM. Meeting minutes from were accepted.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: TN provided background on biking efforts in 2005 Adopted Comp Plan, Transportation Chapter; and in 2007 biking committee plan approved by Town Board; along with Ocean Road Bike Lane and South Fork bikeway.

Bikeway changed from off road to on road due to concerns of LIRR and Long Pond greenbelt advocates. EH did not implement project on their side of connection. Original plan was estimated at \$11 million.

As the Sustainability committee work and Southampton 400 plan involve transportation, it was agreed there should be communication with the Transportation Commission. GB asked if T. Neely could attend on occasion (yes) and C. Dineen will be asked about being involved in both groups.

NP discussed idea of off road bike trail adjacent to LIRR tracks, with general agreement. TN will reach out informally to the LIRR about this idea and relay their initial response to the committee.

LA asked about the unimproved roads project and if it should be part of sustainability. LA to review 400+ plan to determine if this was included.

FZ – Town received a copy of the letter East Hampton sent to LIPA underground policy concerning its opposition to as policy written. State representatives are on record being opposed; local and elected officials, we don't know the direct route to the governor's office. East End achieving 100% would be unreachable. LA – In August I went to the Town Board to escalate to the Governor's office, I'm meeting with each board member; let's talk at length to energize the community and join with us.

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 – NP – Car free day took place on 9/22. Event was kicked off by the County Executive at Stony Brook University. The county is still evaluating the Bike Share program and plan on moving forward. There is a new public transportation app.
- c. Complete Streets
- d. Demand – Reduce VMT
- e. Public Transportation
- f. Parking
- g. Reduced Emissions Alt Fuel – FZ – Tarrytown’s street poles are designed to be grid free, which have a wind turbine on top, solar on the side and battery located on the bottom. They might not be aesthetic but in Tarrytown these poles have enabled the municipality, PD, FD to be grid-less and keep the area well light. Plans to roll out to the RR station, and low income affordable house speaks to community value. It may be something we should review for our Jackson Ave light industrial area.
- 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- LIPA Board Meeting update; The Trustees of LIPA said they already had decided how they were going to vote prior to the close of public opinion. I spoke for three minutes and it’s not a lot of time when the presentation is only available 12 hours prior to the meeting. I will bullet the Pro’s/Cons and what it means to inhibit renewable energy.
- d. Energy and Carbon Reduction – LA - New pool pumps that run a variable speed that offers a rebate.
- e. Education – LA – I as invited to present at the Fire Dept. Chief’s Counsel and will look to reach out to the labor people with Russ’ assistances.

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 5:45 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.**

**Additional 2017 Meeting Dates:
Oct. 17th, Nov 21st, Dec. 5th, Dec. 19th**