

**Town of Southampton**

**Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday November 21, 2017 Southampton Town Hall**

**Members present: D. Von Lehsten (DVL), G. Berk (GB), A. Reisman (AR), G. Raacke (GR), S. Carlin (SC)**

**Non-members present: C. Fetten (CF), L. Vosilla (LV)**

**Guests: J. Halsey (JH) Part of Water Quality Advisory Committee, Elected Trustee A. Welker (AW)**

**Meeting was called to order at 4:03PM. Meeting minutes from were accepted.**

**Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components**

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: CF – The town received Climate Smart Certification last week – it took a village to get things done. SC – can we recap next steps Education for Southampton - DVL- CF, NP submitted new ideas, what should we do? One area where we concentrate is renewable energy; PSEG & LIPA lines feeding electric lines with fossil fuel there is little we can do. GR PSEG is giving 6,000 customers with smart thermostats – Nest Thermostats or a \$250 incentive to join Nest Rush Hours program which is critical to peak demand. Nest will regulate settings so there is less energy used during peak hours 4pm to 8pm for example. The thermostats will precool the house so it can coast through the high demand period without the loss of comfort. Solar, offshore wind is a 100% renewable and 100% doable. DVL how do we get the word out and people involved? Who are the right people? GR CPF funding maybe there's a way to add a small percentage transfer tax – retro fitting tax. NY Greenback continue or plan scrapping by 1% a year it's to slow and small. DVL – sources for money what other programs. CF more than funding peoples comfort level BPI contractors do an audit report and offer a rebate if you use that contractor, but the contractor isn't flexible. GR look at other towns have solutions, organizations track these programs. SC use as a resource. DVL understand what's been done, what works, staffing resources, find other communities GB tagging onto other events starting with CAC, Civics, Nature Conservation, PD, FD sources and their connections, Business Alliances, Museums, Parrish's; Library all will be helpful looking for programs where money came from that would be fantastic. CF We need to keep be able to tailor the message based upon the audience. AR prod people all economic areas to make it work. Figure out how to get the money, engage the rich; make it a social thing to do. JH have someone reach out to the landscapers, be able to speak Spanish to the workers. DVL- two focuses – envelope and outside. Segment topics based on who you're talking about. Look at putting something together, plan on how. GB Identify audience, get at estate managers.

**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 *SC Shinnecock Nation – progress is extremely slow and it's up to the Tribal Counsel to make the final decision.*

## 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
- h. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- i. Resilient Infrastructure

## 6. ENERGY / CARBON

- a. Long Term Energy Planning
- 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
- c. Air Quality
- d. Facade Improvement
- e. Education
- f. Emergency Preparedness

## 10. STEWARDSHIP

- a. Trail Preservation – *AR there are two part, the renovations and how the building will be used. CF There was more damage from the elements, a busted beam that was found and we are working on the PO/TB Resolution to obtain necessary funds. AR We are discussing Maritime programs that uses Conscience Point, working with SYS and The Historical Museum.*
- b. Historic Places
- c. Fisheries
- d. Nutrients in Environment
- e. Education Vacant Land
- f. Forest and Vegetation

***\*\* Meeting was adjourned at 5:40PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***

***Additional 2017 Meeting Dates:  
Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>***