

**Town of Southampton**

**Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2018 Southampton Town Hall**

**Members present: D. von Lehsten (DVL), G. Berk (GB), J. Barrows (JB1), N. Palumbo (NP), J. Burmeister (JB), L. Arthur (LA), A. Reisman (AR), G. Raacke (GR), S. Carlin (SC)**

**Non-members present: Councilman J. Bouvier (CJB), F. Zappone (FZ), C. Fetten (CF), L. Vosilla (LV), A. Soriano (AI)**

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

**Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components**

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: Proposed change to the by-laws to remove term limits, while encouraging members to seek to serve as Chairpersons to ensure diversity in its leadership was approved by the committee: 8-yes, 1-no, subject to Town Board approval. LA – nominated DVL as Co-Chairperson, JB seconded committee voted: 9-yes, 0-no, subject to Town Board approval.

**Review/next steps PSEGLI** – LA old issue rates going up 2% overall so far this year. Preparing to launch Solarize 3, which will be approximately a six month program, looking to kick it off quickly, after applications due by Feb. 28, 2018. Net metering will go away for Commercial ratepayers on May 1, 2018 and for Residential ratepayers on Jan 1, 2020. VDER (value of distributed resource) will replace net metering and has seven calculations and PSEG is working with solar installers to test it as they develop. If a community entity wants to be part of net metering, they will need to go into contract ASAP and sign by 4/30/2018. CF – totally different it drives payback. LA in order to do community solar, the host must be commercial with a demand meter. SC isn't the Governor talking with them. LA Perhaps but we have seen no escalation to the NYS department of Energy that has had a positive outcome.

**CSC (Climate Smart Communities)** - CF M. Lieberman has been working with the town departments on the bid for Bronze with the assistance of B. Achnitz from NYSEDA. Currently looking at Composting bins for sale or for free if the committee can get sponsors. CF – we used to have a barrel program that ran for a couple of cycles. CJB – composting bins where not rugged enough, now might be the right time. JB out of the 10 impact areas, what have we completed? CF – Solarize, Unified Solar, Energy Audit, EV . GB - partial points are awarded from a list of targeted projects across town activities. NP - Is there funding associated with the levels? CF – No, but it can help when applying for funding. DVL – On Feb.3, 2018 is the Beford 2020 summit.

**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 - *DVL what can the committee do? CJB involve other committee groups. LA short concise presentation. GR target marketing. CJB market towards issues specific group, create an interest viability. NP present CAC Village Green the benefits, things that were*

*successful share it. FZ who is the next likely audience. NP get people engaged. FZ it must be measurable.*

**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 –*Clean Heating and Cooling Community Campaign – NYSERDA funds – CF Geothermal in municipal buildings require 40,000square foot size and space. Jackson Ave does not meet the standard second phase grant opportunity, quantity feasibility, should come off.*
- 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 -
- b. Historic Places
- c. Fisheries
- d. Nutrients in Environment
- e. Education Vacant Land
- f. Forest and Vegetation

***\*\* Meeting was adjourned at 6:06PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, 2018 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***

**Additional 2018 Meeting Dates:**

Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, June 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, July 3<sup>rd</sup> & July 17<sup>th</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>