

## Town of Southampton

### Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 Southampton Town Hall

**Members present: G. Berk (GB), D. von Lehsten (DVL), T. Brolin (TB), J. Burmeister (JB), A. Reisman (AR), J. Glorioso (JG)**

**Non-members present: Councilman J. Bouvier (CJB), F. Zappone (FZ), C. Fetten (CF), E. Engel-Snow (ES), M. Leiberman (ML), L. Vosilla (LV)**

**Meeting was called to order at 4:09PM. Meeting minutes from were accepted with two changes – two laws that ban helium-filled balloons, Nantucket and Provincetown, Massachusetts and there isn't technology to change helium.**

#### Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: JG Southampton Village is looking to stop gas blowers from Memorial Day to Labor Day. ML why not year round? JG doesn't make sense the spring / fall cleanups are too heavy. ML not as efficient. CJB landscapers would need to make an investment into the equipment. They sound different and use is about 45 minutes, JG told us last year. CJB handwriting is on the wall. GB any results? JG landscapers are not happy with the restrictions; senior member from the union said there wasn't enough time to change their technology and the season is around the corner. Village excluded themselves, one of the Trustees wanted to make sure his county club was excluded and got called on it. GB where do we go now? JG next meeting is 3/26/19 I think. DVL I spoke afterwards to some of the landscapers they are not really opposed; the electric blowers are not as powerful; next generation of blowers may be as powerful as gas machines. GB Village excluded themselves. DVL I don't think they are getting away with it. Landscapers need a level playing field with insurance and permits not students who want extra money. Memorial Day thru Labor Day only during the week, not holidays or Sundays.

JG – ES is doing research on balloons – total ban vs release ban. ES right now I have raw data, links and articles on release bans. Block Island has a release ban and I have notes from Balloonblow.org. TB ridiculousness of 25 balloons per day per person. GB who might this financially hurt? JG we need to do more research. ES RI ban sales had some effect on businesses, no one was solely a balloon store. JG balloons are registered with numbers. TB wait until the research before banning possession and sale. CJB define businesses before defining the solution.

FZ Earth Day is being held on May 4, 2019 at Good Ground Park from 11am – 3pm. PSEG has an education vehicle with stations inside, it's an interesting concept. I asked them to reserve it, more detail and information to come.

#### 1. EDUCATION

- a. Town Employees
- b. Homeowners and Other Residents
- c. Business Owners
- d. Primary School Education
- e. Educational signage FZ CRC the letter received from TB & JG is essentially the same, envelopes have been prepared, and addresses verified and will go in the mail tomorrow. CRC also created two pamphlets, in reference to the plastic/Styrofoam ban. I'd like to know which one the committee likes better and since we have a small

*budget should we get some printed? It would be good to get it out on the street. Restaurants have pocket displays and we would rely on volunteers. JG can we add recycling symbol on it? FZ material made from recycle material. Will let you know when/where pamphlets can be picked up; might put at the security desk it's manned until 10pm. We can put it on SeaTV as a static; it will flash its effective people will notice and add information to the website.*

- f. Food Production & Consumption
- g. Outreach DVL Village Quogue wants to join in the Styrofoam ban asked me to make a presentation.

## 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 *CF expecting bids back for the HVAC system in Town Hall. New ramp has been installed in the front of TH and the*

*deconstruction of ADA ramp in the lower level and steps to the first floor will be next.*

- b. Green Building Education.
- c. Water Efficiency in Buildings
- d. Heat Island Effect - Roofs

## 8. WASTE

- a. Municipal Facility Recycling *GB Brookhaven is cutting a deal with American Organic Material to convert food waste into energy to go back to the grid.*
- 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 5:16PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***

### **Additional 2019 Meeting Dates:**

**Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, June 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**