

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 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), N. Palumbo (NP), L. Arthur (LA), G. Anthony (GA)

Non-members present: Councilman J. Bouvier (CJB), F. Zappone (FZ), C. Fetten (CF), H. Roussel (HR), L. Vosilla (LV) Guest: B. Oliviera (BO) – Hampton Bays Bike Shop

Meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM. Meeting minutes from March 19, 2019 were accepted.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: NP - General conversation is Zagster is looking for high level sponsorship to launch somewhere in the county this season. Town's initiative to alternate transportation means; walking, bicycling; hiking should move forward. CF – we should have better idea of the program in next two weeks. NP – sponsorship is part of the requirements, external support to offset their cost. DVL where does this leave local bike stores? BO – we do substantial business and this could kill us. CF - county initiative has town support – this is not new it's been talked about for 2–3 years. Bike share isn't the cheapest; there's pros and cons especially for this community. BO – I moved across from the HB train station, it's a big part of my business. If Zagster is allowed to open across from my store it would hurt my business. LA –Rick from Rotations Bicycle Center sent a letter indicating sustaining revenue with a storefront has become more difficult. NP it's been weeks even several years working to help the bike industry, this raises the tide for all bikes and adds revenue. BO – less likely to buy, rather rent take them out for a couple of hours which will affect sales. NP – It should be conversation with you and Zagster. The hope is to encourage biking on safe routes; add revenue, we've been working on this program for several years. CF – spoke with Zagster they are capping the amount of locations – eight stations with five bicycles at each station.

Quiet Communities – DVL SH Village is pushing ahead with the resolution. What can we do in the town? Reduce use of gas powered leaf blowers during certain times with a specific end date banning these types of landscaping equipment. TB – plan by 2022 to switch to electric with time restrictions is not sustainable. GB no need for blowers of any kind in the summer. ML not used for leaves. LA what is the committee trying to figure out? JG major push back. CJB – Green Committee can go further. Companies need to make investments, ability to make the transitions, understand, and see what it's causing. What's a fair time period? ML plastic bags timeframe. HR fumes – there's a law prohibiting idling, it's a quality of life. TB propose volunteers for a subcommittee to do research with landscapers, find impact, budget cycle and what they can live with.

LA –Earth Day is scheduled for May 4, 2019, rain date May 5. In addition to Electric Vehicles, solar and energy efficiency Audits several sustainability oriented exhibits featuring the work of local students will be showcased. HR under the direction of CF utilizing a local artist to create art by up cycling materials found on beaches. Councilwoman Christine Scalera's East End Clean Up is publicizing Up Cycling along with the East End Clean up scheduled for the same day. Surfriders; a lawn tea demo; HR – school robot projects, Soap making, SFCC booth; Trails in GGP; Bio-Pots; Electric lawn equipment and much more.

NP – can we submit for the DEC excellence award? ML not sure we have enough to qualify. NP – Town is in a good position. FZ – send a copy of the email maybe an amalgamation of several programs will work.

1. EDUCATION

- a. Town Employees
- b. Homeowners and Other Residents
- c. Business Owners
- d. Primary School Education

e. Educational signage – *JG Styrofoam/straw/stirrer ban - we are progressing with an education plan. GB saw static on Sea-TV. FZ palm cards are being printed on recycled paper and imprinted. They should be in next week, I'll let DVL and GB know.*

f. Food Production & Consumption

g. Outreach *GB- CF and JG will be at the HB Senior Center next Monday night participating in League of Women Voters forum on recycling. CF will talk big picture; JG will explain the process used to create ban for Styrofoam/stirrer and straws.*

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 - *JG balloons we are still researching.*

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 5:28 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***

Additional 2019 Meeting Dates: Apr. 16th, May 7th & 21st, June 4th & 18th, July 2nd & 16th, Aug. 6th & 20th, Sept. 3rd & 17th, Oct. 1st & 15th, Nov. 19th, Dec. 3rd & 17th