

**Town of Southampton**

**Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, January 21, 2020 Southampton Town Hall**

**Members present: G. Berk (GB), G. Anthony (GA), T. Brolin (TB), J. Burmeister (JB),**

**Non-members present: Councilman J. Bouvier (CJB), Councilman R. Martel (CRM), C. Fetten (CF), M. Lieberman (ML), L. Vosilla (LV), L. Carrozzi (LC)**

**Meeting was called to order at 4:03PM. Meeting minutes from Dec. 14, 2019 & Jan. 7, 2020 were accepted.**

**Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components**

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: ML Regarding the HERS like commercial code update, we just received a bunch of data from GIS – size, scale infrastructure and still need to go through it. This data will tell us the potential for commercial development in undeveloped parcels. We'll review the residential build out since the residential HERS codes were implemented. With both of these data sets, we can anticipate the potential energy savings from future commercial development with a HERS like code in place. GB We need to know this in order to bring the legislation forward. ML Also there is a Youth Advisory Committee 2020 who are actively looking to shape global warming and it fits into our Sustainability chapter on education. What you're doing, how it affects our community, what is being threaten, land use law along with more global issues. GB who is part of this group, young children / teachers? ML it's a community service project for grades 7-12. LC is it Southampton students? ML yes. It's an excellent way to reach parents. GB can we get the chair or members to come to our meeting? We will get the Youth advisory on the agenda. ML we need to engage community service projects, I'm not sure of their curriculum or if we should run a presentation. GB we need someone to tell us what they are looking for. TB – DVL, myself and other committee members presented to the town board for ban on sale of helium and gas leaf blowers. Supervisor Schneiderman is concerned about the impact helium ban would have on local businesses; he is looking for opinions from the community; there is now a two-question survey online. GB CJB forwarded an email received from the owner of Stevenson's Toy Store. TB sent a statement. CJB objecting to legislation stating it would hurt his business. It is the only email I received and there is a hold on the legislation right now and is moving slowly until we get the results of the surveys. TB Leaf Blowers met with GB and DVL. ML or JS will need to draft a code similar to the village. GB village code has different stipulations, not change the entire code but add leaf blowers to it. CJB haven't had the opportunity to do that yet. Other comments. TB penalty in the town code, not in the village. Commercial landscapers, is there a penalty? Bares discussion. CJB we need to revisit a little bit. GB East Hampton is looking to replicate and draft similar bans. CJB let's wait until we get the comments back, the bigger issue is a lot of conversation with the landscapers; we want them to be part of the solution. Legislation needs to be modified. GB - DVL, TB and myself discussed with CJB big picture goals for 2020. Climate Action Plan implementation; baseline, policies and measurements. Town staff or hire a consultant to assist. Building code updates; HERS, Community Restrictions on clearing non APOD lots, I/A Systems; Solar; maybe provide builders with percentages if they provide the infrastructure which is a good selling point, NYSEDA, Building Battery Code. Encourage town CCA implementation. Recommend funding for education for outreach. LA is doing some with net metering thru 2020. Ban helium; gas leaf blowers, restrictions on single use plastic. TB thicker plastic bag restrictions. NYS law in Marsh will have no restrictions on thickness, banning all plastics except for fish and vegetables GB suggest town facilities ban plastic water bottles. Stevenson's brought up why are we selling water bottles at the beach; why sell water in plastic? CJB CCA is part of the county task force, we're looking positive and progressing just getting information to make a decision. CF – received permit for HB Waste Management proposal to swap out the booth. Town Hall- additional work is being done behind the conference room once completed furniture will be moved back.

**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 – *GB Tree planning is still ongoing. Some concerns that have come up: how they will be cared for, deer proofing. The village might have property, more to come on that. JB A. Blanko from the Nature Conservancy is a great authority on trees, I have been trying to get in touch with her to see if she has suggestions.*
- c. Open Space Preservation
- d. New Open space
- e. Biomass Preservation
- f. Environmental Restoration
- g. Neighborhood Pattern and Design – *GB no update on APOD*
- 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 – *CF – plastic at the transfer stations are co-mingled. We can put out more signage.*
- b. Comprehensive E Waste Recycling
- c. Plastic Recycling – *GA dry cleaning, boat wrapping, the town recycles plastic can we get posters made up? Trying to get a list of dry cleaners but Town Clerk's office doesn't have one. ML tax assessor's code might have it combined with other types of businesses. I will check with GIS.*
- 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 4:53 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***

***Additional 2020 Meeting Dates: Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, Apr 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, June 6<sup>th</sup>, & 16<sup>th</sup>, July 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, Aug 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, & 15<sup>th</sup>, Oct 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, Dec 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>***