

## Town of Southampton

### Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 Southampton Town Hall

**Members present: S. Carlin (SC), D. Von Lehsten, A. Reisman (AR), J. Burmeister (JB), G. Berk (GB), N. Palumbo (NP), L. Ash (LA), J. Barrows (JB2), J. Botos (JB3)**

**Non members present: C. Fetten (CF), J. Becerra (JB4),**

**Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. Meeting minutes from February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 were approved.**

#### Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: Plastic bag ban awareness campaign beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>. Solarize South Fork and PACE financing for solar energy. Waste Management Code Chapter 205 going for a public hearing. Utilizing social media to get people to think Green. Finally, please submit a list of activities that each individual has participated in within the Committee and send to Scott and Dieter. There will be a joint meeting to update the Supervisor and the TB as far as where the Committee stands, and find out where the TB might need help.

#### 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- *Social media: curiosity on the Committee's part as far as using Twitter to get people to think Green. As an example, a campaign in East Hampton to make people aware of phantom devices has been successful. The key is to get young people involved since they are the ones that know best how to utilize the mediums to get ideas across.*

#### 2. WATER

- a. Regional Clean Water Coalition
- b. Surface Water Quality- *Storm water Management: storm water grant for \$90,000 (Water Quality Committee).*
- c. Education
- d. Regulated Water Conservation
- e. Water Treatment and Reuse
- f. Landscape Management
- g. Drinking Water Quality
- h. Groundwater Protection
- i. Wetlands Protection
- j. Floodplains
- k. 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 Plan- *Good Ground Park and Peconic Estuary Program are moving forward, as well as the raising of the Tupper Boat House.*
- 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 Use
- 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 Audits- *Town is moving forward with its Town Hall Assessment, especially as far as heating.*

- c. Clean Energy Renewable- *The Town is working with East Hampton Town on Solarize South Fork. Letters of support were received from Suffolk County Community College and the school district. As far as PACE, unsure on how far to push this. Loan financing through bonds makes some uneasy. Still want to hear from vendors about their opinions and concerns. Another option would be RFQ, or Request For Qualification, where people get to choose who to get the loan from.*
- 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- *Waste Management Code Chapter 205 going for a public hearing, to potentially add a provision to track private carters in order to generate data.*
- b. Comprehensive E Waste Recycling
- c. Plastic Recycling- *TB has asked to plan an awareness campaign beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, for the plastic bag ban coming up on April 22<sup>th</sup>. There will be a press release to all newspapers, and a public service announcement, in order to get people excited and aware about the change. Also utilize social media, SEATV, and the Town website. Look at ideas, such as a bag give away or raffle. Need good coordination to cover the entire Town as far as posters go, as well as volunteers to speak with business owners.*
- d. Organic Waste
- e. Waste Education –
- f. School Recycling/Trex – in process
- g. Materials Exchange
- h. Paper Waste
- i. Building waste
- j. Hazardous Waste
- k. Product Stewardship
- l. Long Term Waste Planning – FRNCA pilot in process

**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
- f. Vacant Land
- g. Forest and Vegetation

***\*\* Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 at 3:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***