

**TOWN OF BRIGHTON
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES
February 13, 2019
9:30 a.m.
Brookside – Rec. Dept.**

PRESENT: Christine Corrado, William Moehle, Matt Beeman, Rebecca Cotter

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

9:42 am

OPEN FORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 16, 2019

W. Moehle/C. Corrado - Approved

COMMUNICATIONS

- Via e-mail, Rod Bailey wrote to request that the Town Board adopt a resolution in support of Rep. Morelle becoming a co-sponsor of HR 763 – Carbon Fee and Dividend Bill currently before the House of Representatives.
- It was noted in discussion that the Town already has a commitment to clean energy as evidenced by its adoption of a climate change resolution in the past year
- The town supports the concept of Carbon Fee and Dividend, but strongly believes that the proposed law needs to include language for municipalities to benefit from dividends.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Park Issues: Matt Beeman

- Discussion of Corbett's Glen and Postcard Falls access and the original intention of the park as it relates to designated access points to the falls
- Monitoring the situation to determine how the recently-installed perimeter fence impacts the access point of the falls
- The perimeter trail fence was installed in the late fall, so it's important to provide some time to see how well it is working to keep pedestrians on the trail at key areas of erosion
- This issue will be re-assessed as the season progresses
- Projects and purchase orders are being put together for the new year including for replacement doors at Buckland Park and latticework repair at the Twelve Corners Gazebo
- Playground equipment replacement planning/budgeting is underway for Meridian Centre Park play structures
- Parks Superintendent is exploring potential grant opportunity with playground equipment manufacturers
- New playground will meet ADA requirements for accessibility
- Arbor Day tree planting at Buckland Park with the Parks Dept. and the Lorax Club will be coordinated in order to help keep the Tree City USA designation

Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter

- Indian Landing School has been secured as alternate location for Council Rock Summer Camp
- Summer Camp planning is underway for all camp locations, and we are making adjustments where needed, due to BCSD construction constraints
- Increased programming development is underway Buckland House, including implementing a Docent program in conjunction with MaryJo Lanphear, our Town Historian
- Goal is to have programming in place this spring and have the house opened regularly on one Sunday a month to start; long term plan is to have it used more as a multi-use space for art exhibits and meetings in conjunction with School and Community Groups
- Some minor interior improvements are needed to make the space function better as a multi-purpose facility including: an art hanging system, folding tables/chairs, and other miscellaneous items, so the Town is currently seeking funding sources to support the needed improvements
- After School Program Open Houses have been scheduled to drive attendance to our childcare programs: one held last week had 2 families in attendance the next one scheduled for February 26th has 6 interested families
- Winter weather impacts programming and keeps the department busy when cancellations to school and other programs are necessary
- Shout-out to our parks staff, who has done a wonderful job keeping the parking lots clear during these winter storms allowing safer access to the building for participants

Winter Farm Market Update

- Thus far the project has incurred about \$6000 net in change orders
- Some cost savings have occurred due to the absence of asbestos in the roofing shingles
- Unexpected cost due largely to the lack of a compacted base under the concrete floor that's being replaced
- This required the removal and replacement of about 16 inches of earth
- Gravel was then installed and compacted to the appropriate level to provide a base for footers and concrete floor to be poured
- Exterior color palette was reviewed and includes a Rockport Gray wall with Fireweed Red trim colors and a dark gray/slate colored architectural shingle
- Security of the property is an ongoing concern as future phases are completed and the property isn't used regularly
- The Highway Department has been working on site to remove a preexisting pile of debris, and they have been grading the area to keep water away from the foundation of the building

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee Update

- Four proposals received for consultant services, three of which were budget-conforming.
- Interviews with the top three vendors have been set, and will conclude by the end of the month
- Town Board will likely approve at the February 27th meeting
- Proposal timelines include meetings to begin in March or early April at the latest

Community Choice Aggregation Law Update

- A group RFP among municipalities has been developed, and includes clear language that individual municipalities can make their own selections, and go out on their own if needed
- Ideally, municipalities will be buying in bulk collectively under a single administrator
- Final RFP has been distributed to the town board for review
- Tentative goal is to send the RFP out on February 15th with a response deadline of March 15th
- Three firms are approved by the PSC for administering

Beautification Committee Update

- Committee convened for the first time on Monday, 2/11/19
- Initially, meetings will be on Second Mondays of every month at 8 AM, in the Lower Level Conference Room of Town Hall
- In the future, we anticipate that meetings will be held quarterly, but given the time of year, and in preparation for Clean Sweep and Spring Recycling events, the Committee will be convening more frequently over the next few months
- Clean Sweep event will be transitioned to the Beautification Committee
- Contacts have been made with Jeremy Lutz and Barb Snyderman to establish a webpage and public place to archive meeting agendas and minutes.
- Seven members total; five were able to attend.

Brighton Safe Streets for All Update

- Pacecar materials to be distributed to Brighton Safe Streets for All community group
- Target public launch to coincide with National Bike to School Day, Wednesday, May 8
- SOC wrote a letter to NYS DOT regarding the potential for a pedestrian scramble and received a reply that the Department would conduct a traffic study to determine feasibility
- Likewise, Monroe County DOT is receptive to the idea of conducting a traffic study in the area
- Despite instinct and impressions, a traffic study is a data-driven way to definitively help to determine potential traffic impacts of a pedestrian scramble
- The Public Safety Committee has requested a speed limit review of the Twelve Corners Area with the County and State DOT

Councilmember on you Corner Update

- Space secured at the outdoor Farmers' Market
- Robin and Sue Gardner-Smith will meet to discuss further as we get closer to the opening of the outdoor market

Renovation Repair and Painting (RRP) Certification

- Now moved to Public Works Committee

NEW BUSINESS

Let's Get R.E.A.L. Municipal Alignment

- Meeting with Kevin Beckford and Luticha Doucette this morning to discuss ways that Brighton and IDEA Committee can collaborate in the efforts at Racial Equity in the City of Rochester
- Eight ways in which Brighton could assist with community-wide efforts at racial equity were discussed

- The plan is to concurrently lay out scope of project and prepare work plans to achieve operational impact for racial equity programs
- Among the efforts specifically discussed were building a coalition to create media accountability; helping to develop a racial equity playbook; replicating and scaling community empowerment activities; and taking part in a coalition to implement structural change in civil service exam and process

Brighton Black History Mobile Display

- Robin Wilt met with Town Historian Mary Jo Lanphear and Marilyn Rosen of CURB to discuss potential content and themes for the display
- Themes will encompass African American migration post Reconstruction and Brighton's role in those migratory patterns
- Suggested that Asa Dunbar's role in the founding of Brighton should be included as well

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Survey

- Christine Corrado and Chris Hildebrant of IDEA will hold a meeting with the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community members and stakeholders to learn more about ways in which Town Government can be more inclusive
- Efforts will be coordinated with IDEA Committee
- Date TBD, sometime in March

UPCOMING EVENTS

Brighton Neighbors United Annual Potluck Supper- Featuring Sebastian Maroundit, A “Lost Boy”

Buckland Park Lodge, 1341 Westfall Road

Sunday, March 3rd, 6:00 pm

(Suggested Donation of \$5.00)

Semi-Annual DEA Pharmaceutical Take Back Day

Brighton Town Hall Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, April 27th, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Brighton Little League Opening Day 2019

Brighton Town Hall Complex, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 4th, 10:00 – 11:30 am

Brighton Annual Clean Sweep 2019

Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 11th, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Semi-Annual Electronics Recycling and Document Shredding Event

Brighton Highway Department, 1941 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 18th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday

March 20th, 2019
9:30 am Brookside