

**TOWN OF BRIGHTON
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Minutes

March 20, 2019

9:30 a.m.

Brookside – Rec. Dept.

PRESENT: Rod Bailey, Sue Gardner Smith, Christine Corrado, Mike Guyon, Gary Donofrio, Evert Garcia, Robin Wilt, Matt Beeman, Rebecca Cotter, Bill Moehle

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

9:40 am

OPEN FORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 13, 2019

WM 1, CC 2

COMMUNICATIONS

From Dennis Adams (Corbett's Glen Advisory Council) Dated 3/9/19: A brief visit to Corbett's Glen (via USB thumb drive)

- Communication was regarding ongoing erosion concerns Corbett's Glen and contained photographic evidence of the effects of erosion.
- The Town is giving the trail border that was installed late last Fall a full year's cycle to evaluate its effectiveness
- We recognize that people can still access areas off the trail by climbing over the barrier, but we have seen evidence that more people are adhering to the trail than prior to installation of the fencing
- We discussed the continuing challenges of Corbett's Glen as an attraction, as well as the fact that it is more than a neighborhood attraction, but rather a regional attraction
- Matt Beeman, Park Superintendent, will do some benchmarking find out what rules the Penfield Parks Department is enforcing regarding entering waterways in the Penfield Parks that abut Corbett's Glen and report back to the Committee

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Park Issues: Matt Beeman

- Superintendent noted particular areas of the parks plagued by invasive species and shared that we are exploring a pest control matching grant available from NYS to address concerns regarding gophers; that grant is potentially available as a continuing grant
- Our Parks Department is working on getting prices for latticework repair in the Gazebo at Twelve Corners Park. This work will be performed through the 2019 Maintenance budget already in place for 12 Corners Park
- An RFP was awarded to replace the doors at Buckland Park; and a time will be scheduled for the work to be done later this spring

- BHS Lorax Club tree-planting project will take place on Arbor Day to establish a shade buffer in identified areas of Buckland Park
- Discussion of possible similar shade tree buffering of the Community Garden adjacent to the Veterans' Memorial
- Additional Rose Bushes will be added to the Veterans' Memorial to finish re-establishing that area as a contemplative and aesthetically-pleasing space
- Regular Friday Afternoon parking lot access for over flow parking for the Islamic Center was discussed

Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter

- Summer Planning underway including; Summer Camp, Summer Programs, Special Events, Concert Series etc...
- Summer Brochure has been finalized and should be in homes early April
- Resident Summer Camp Registration Begins April 23; All other resident registration begins on April 30; Non-Resident Registration begins on May 14
- In anticipation of facilities being under construction at Council Rock Primary School, our Recreation Department has secured alternate summer camp locations at Indian Landing Elementary School
- Penfield Central School District has been very helpful in allowing us to use their facilities as we face numerous challenges with Brighton Central School District Facilities

Winter Farm Market Update: Mike Guyon

- Mike Guyon provided a brief history of project and reviewed the existing site plan and grant funding
- Concerns over funding for the project were discussed, in that, given current pricing trends, there is a potential that insufficient funding will be available to build the current design, as shown
- The project has been re-vamped to make better use of funds that we currently have, in particular, Monroe County DOT suggested re-orienting the entrance point of the parcel to be opposite Avalon Dr.
- We anticipate that this change will allow for better traffic flow into the parcel
- This new design was preliminarily drafted and internally discussed & reviewed
- Sitework for Phase 1 is currently being conducted by our vendor and is nearing completion
- Once the new design is finalized for Phase 2, it will go back out to the public for input, so we do not anticipate that site infrastructure upgrades will occur in this calendar year.
- The new plan does anticipate that the Brickyard Trail Crosswalk across Westfall Road will remain

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee Update

- Town Board anticipates a vote to approve a consultant at the Town Board Meeting on April 10, 2019
- We will be in communication with the appointed members of the IDEA Board to update them on our progress

Community Choice Aggregation Law Update

- RFP for a CCA Administrator is out as of March 1, and responses are due April 1st
- Review of responses will be completed after that

Beautification Committee Update

- Up and running
- 2019 Focus is on Clean Sweep and Recycling Events
- The committee toured areas of Brighton to identify areas of concern to help prioritize projects throughout the Town
- This item will be removed from future agendas for this committee

Brighton Safe Streets for All Update

- Still establishing the formal group; it exists mostly virtually in social media
- We did post a call to the Facebook page for nominations of Brighton area intersections to participate in the Complete Streets Makeover Project – which implements intersection enhancements/make overs
- It was noted that there are traditionally not many submissions from area Suburbs
- Safe Streets for All community members will be reviewing critical intersections in need of revamping for possible submission for consideration in the Makeover Project
- There was discussion of challenges facing identifying intersections for this type of application, but the group hopes to identify 3 areas/intersections in Town that offer different opportunities for development, with varying levels of intensity in terms of traffic volume
- Discussion of potential Pace Car Program Roll Out in the week prior to Clean Sweep during the week of Bike/Walk to School day, Curb Your Car Week

Councilmember on you Corner Update

- Space has been set at the market
- Council Members will coordinate their calendars
- Item will be removed from future Agendas

Renovation Repair and Painting (RRP) Certification Update

- Review of the impacts of this change to the permit process
- Extensive research into this topic was completed by the Attorney to the Town
- Determined to have no significant impact on the Town in terms of liability, or to Town Staff, in terms of time investment
- Will look to how other Towns have implemented this rule, and will likely follow that format
- Item will be removed from future Agendas

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

- Focused on review of the Civil Service Process
- Aware of the hinderances that the CCS Process presents for diverse hiring practices
- Working to make changes in that process

Brighton Black History Mobile Display Update

- CURB continues to work with MaryJo Lanphear

Hard of Hearing/Deaf Survey Update

- Date to be determined, not able to set an agreeable date for key stakeholders in the community
- Hope to schedule later this spring

- Interpreting services will be under contract for the Town to provide ongoing interpreting services as needed for activities throughout the Town

NEW BUSINESS

Town Board Resolution in support of Rep. Morelle becoming a co-sponsor of HR 763 – Carbon Fee and Dividend Bill: Rod Bailey

- Carbon Fee and Dividend was reviewed, as well as a history of the attendant Bills and Resolutions, and current list of co-sponsors
- Citizens' Climate Lobby is requesting a new resolution to state that there is a problem of Climate Change, and request that our Congressional Representatives sign onto a particular bill, HR 763, and join the Climate Solutions Caucus in the House of Representatives
- Concerns discussed regarding the potential for harmful amendments and riders to be added to HR763, as well as the lack of dividends for municipalities, which will share a burden for upgrading the efficiency of infrastructure
- Concerns over lack of current traction for the resolution (two dozen co-sponsors, currently—the overwhelming majority of whom are Democrats—only one Republican sponsor)
- Discussion of various carbon pricing strategies and benefits of each
- Discussion of ways in which the Town can reduce their Carbon Footprint

Roselawn Neighborhood Association Rose Garden: Gary Donofrio

- History of the Rose Garden was discussed
- Over time the garden fell into disrepair
- Town has been in the process of gaining feedback for re-design of the area
- RFP went out to select a consultant firm to develop a plan
- Low maintenance garden was designed
- Plan reviewed internally among staff
- Anticipated that proposed plan for materials/planting will stay within current funding
- Two seating areas proposed that will make use of stone materials already in Town's possession
- Seating area and type of seating TBD. Likely natural stone type
- Stone Dust access off of Seminole Way only, for now
- Will go back to the Roselawn Neighborhood association and the community for input before work begins

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

April 17th, 2019

9:30 am Brookside