

**TOWN OF BRIGHTON  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Minutes  
April 17, 2019  
9:30 a.m.  
Brookside – Rec. Dept.**

**PRESENT:**

Robin Wilt, William Moehle, Christine Corrado, Michele Denber

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

9:37 AM

**OPEN FORUM**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**March 20, 2019**

WM 1/CC 2

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**April 9, 2019: Letter From Michele Denber, RE: Excessive Noise – Quality of Life**

- Michele Denber presented a demonstration of the lawn cleanup noise nuisance she and her neighborhood are experiencing, as well as 13 signatures in favor of excluding riding lawn mowers on smaller lawns and limits for daily usage of riding lawnmowers until after 10 AM.
- In the particular instance of this neighborhood, Code enforcement had previously reached out to the contractor, and he has pushed back his start times in an attempt to accommodate neighbor requests, but dissatisfaction remains.
- In the past, the Town has considered decibel-based restrictions for noise.
- Ordinary operation of lawn and garden equipment is not strictly prohibited under town code. We very much want to avoid enforcement conundrums for our law enforcement.
- Enforcement on noise nuisances currently tends to be in cases of extraordinary usage versus the normal usage scenarios like lawn maintenance.
- Decibel meters are something that the BPD is willing to acquire in support of code enforcement, should the town implement a decibel limit to its noise ordinance.
- We took an action item to consult with the Town Attorney, and to benchmark neighboring town codes in terms of lawn equipment restrictions, carbon emissions restrictions (i.e., two-stroke engines), and noise restrictions based on decibel level.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**Park Issues: Matt Beeman**

- In Matt Beeman's absence, we discussed that Spring grooming of Parks, Fields and Facilities is in process.
- Grants are being pursued for playground improvements, as some of our equipment is showing wear and tear.

- The new trail fencing is in place, and we will be keeping an eye on Corbett's Glen usage and erosion issues through the peak season.

### **Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter**

- In Becky Cotter's absence, we discussed that Residents are in receipt of the Summer Programming Brochures.
- Registration for Brighton Residents for Brighton Recreation Summer Camp Programs only begins on Tuesday, April 22.
- Registration for Brighton Residents for ALL other summer programming begins on Tuesday, April 30.
- Registration for Non Residents for all programs begins on Tuesday, May 14.
- Ensuring the adequacy of facilities continues to be an area of discussion, and options are being discussed for future recreation sites and associated potential partnerships and funding.

### **Winter Farm Market Update**

- 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 Town Staff.
- 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
- Still awaiting more detailed drawings for review.
- Based on need to revise sitework, there may be re-numbering of phases: i.e., swap in building work that was anticipated for later phases, instead of sitework.

### **Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee Update**

- Town Board voted to approve a consultant at the Town Board Meeting on April 10, 2019
- Tokeya Graham withdrew her proposal from consideration, and consequently, Gwen, Inc. was the only remaining proposal and was awarded the contract.
- Assistant to the Town Supervisor, Bridget Monroe, is in communication with the appointed members of the IDEA Board to update them on our progress.
- We have had at least one member of the IDEA Board who has relocated since forming the committee, so we are confirming our numbers in anticipation of starting routine meetings.
- Town Attorney, Ken Gordon, is working on getting a final contract out to Gwen, Inc.

### **Community Choice Aggregation Law Update**

- RFP for a CCA Administrator went out as of March 1, and responses were due April 5th
- The MOU municipalities received three responses: from Pilot Power; Good Energy; and Joule Assets.
- Supervisor Moehle, because he is recused, referred initial review of these proposals to the FASC and asked that FASC Chair, Jason DiPonzio, coordinate the initial review of these proposals for the Town with Ken, Paula and Mike, and such other Town committees, citizen boards or staff members as they

may determine to be appropriate, in collaboration with the Town of Irondequoit and the Town and Village of Pittsford, pursuant to the MOU, with the expectation of ultimately making a recommendation to the full Town Board.

- A copy of the RFP was distributed to the SOC by Mike Guyon.
- On a separate, but related note, Brighton will be recognized as a “Bronze Level” Clean Energy Community on April 18, 2019, and passage of the enabling CCA Law was one of the pre-requisites to obtaining the designation.

### **Brighton Safe Streets for All Update**

- Intersection of Torrington Dr. and Monroe Ave., where they meet Brooklawn Dr. was suggested as an entrant to the Complete Streets Makeover Contest.
- Deborah Cooper also made a submission for the same intersection, independent of BSSFA .
- In addition, Erica Bryant attended the Public Works Committee meeting to discuss the pocket park at Warrington Dr. and Mayflower Dr., and the suggestion was made that the intersection there be included as a potential Complete Streets Makeover Contest site, as well. However, the timing did not allow for that submission.
- Submissions were due on April 12, 2019, and while there was a desire to target three intersections, the intersection at Torrington and Monroe, where they meet Brooklawn was submitted twice—indicating the community focus on that area.
- An additional query has been made to the Committee to see if any other Brighton intersections were submitted.
- Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> is Bike to School Day.
- Rollout for PACE Car program should happen week of May 13<sup>th</sup>. Will consult Finance Director, Paula Parker for a funding source for decals.

### **Renovation Repair and Painting (RRP) Certification Update**

- Drafted a modifying permit: that includes questions from the federal lead certification compliance questionnaire:
  - Is your property house, a daycare, or other occupying facility?
  - Was your property constructed before 1979?
  - Will the work disturb 6 s.f. of interior paint or 20 s.f. of exterior paint?
- Responses to questions will be a condition of receiving permitting.
- Public Works anticipates that new Building Permit Form will be provided within next two weeks.

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

#### **April 10, 2019 Meeting RE: Equity in the Civil Service Exam**

- History of Civil Service Process was briefly discussed and whether it has met its goal in curbing nepotism and achieving equity.
- The City of Rochester has its own Civil Service Process that is separate from Monroe County, but that is also monitored by the NYS Comptroller's Office and meets the same statutory guidelines.
- The potential for suburban towns to cooperatively partner to follow this model was discussed, but it was determined that we need additional legal research to explore this potential partnership.
- This is a potential area for IDEA Board to benchmark and focus on improvement.

### **Brighton Black History Mobile Display Update**

- CURB has embraced this endeavor and has continued to coordinate with Town Historian, Mary Jo Lanphear. The hope is to launch it in time for 2020 African American History Month.
- Incidentally, CURB will be screening 'The Hate U Give' at the Brighton Memorial Library tomorrow evening, April 8, 2019, at 6:00 PM.

### **Hard of Hearing/Deaf Survey Update**

- Exploring potential for Town of Brighton Clerk's office and Court Clerk's office to provide training to someone in basic ASL for our first responders and most forward-facing public staff positions
- It was noted that Brighton Ambulance has training in ASL for first responders, as does Brighton Police Department
- This is another area of focus for IDEA Board

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Tree-Planting at Buckland Park (In Partnership with BCSD, Lorax Club, Color Brighton Green)**

SE Corner of Buckland Park Near New Lodge, 1341 Westfall Road

Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

#### **Semi-Annual DEA Pharmaceutical Take Back Day**

Brighton Town Hall Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

#### **Brighton Little League Opening Day 2019**

Brighton Town Hall Complex, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:30 am

#### **Brighton Annual Clean Sweep 2019**

Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

#### **Semi-Annual Electronics Recycling and Document Shredding Event**

Brighton Highway Department, 1941 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### **NEXT MEETING:**

*Wednesday*

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

9:30 am Brookside