

**TOWN OF BRIGHTON
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Minutes
May 15, 2019
9:30 a.m.
Brookside – Rec. Dept.**

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

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

9:40 am

OPEN FORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 17, 2019 WM, RW

COMMUNICATIONS

May 13, 2019 – Letter from Brighton Beautification Committee Requesting to Fill a Vacancy

- Discussion occurred of how the process of filling the vacancy would proceed. In particular, since the sole member of the committee with a connection to West Brighton has resigned, the Town Board does have a keen interest in maintaining that perspective on the committee.
- It was noted that the Town Board conducted over 30 interviews to initially form the Beautification Committee, and since it's customary to maintain the resumes of interested candidates on file, it would make sense to contact those applicants who were not initially selected, to determine if there is remaining interest on their parts, before re-initiating a new round of interviews.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- Beautification Committee officially voted to take over Clean Sweep in future years, since it is the premier beautification effort that the town currently engages in. The Town thanks the Beautification Committee's volunteer efforts during the event this year, and looks forward to the event's growth and success in future years, under the direction of the Beautification Committee.
- It was noted that the Beautification Committee discussed developing a process for community organizations and affinity groups to adopt parks within Brighton to help staff in the parks with maintenance and upkeep. The idea would mirror the "Adopt a Highway" program.

Park Issues: Matt Beeman

- Discussion of Corbett's Glen knee wall and a recent meeting with Corbett's Glen Advisory Committee, and potentially extending the current fencing to further circumscribe a scenic overlook area and guide park visitors to areas of passive enjoyment, while preserving the areas most impacted by erosion.
- Due to a very wet start to the Spring/Summer season, Park staff is currently working to manage wet fields, and restrict field use, as necessary, to preserve the sod. They are working closely with the local sports groups to ensure enjoyment of the fields that doesn't destroy the fields for prolonged time frames.
- We have been experiencing ongoing issues with Waste Management's service with regard to the Recycling Dumpsters being "contaminated" with plastic and other non-recyclable waste.

- Although acceptable recyclables are clearly posted on the receptacles, Parks staff cannot monitor all materials that park visitors discard in the receptacles, and lately, Waste Management has more frequently assumed the posture that the receptacles have an unacceptable level of contamination.
- Instead of simply treating the materials as additional garbage, the town has sometimes incurred fees for trips to pick up recyclables that have been deemed garbage by Waste Management because they are too contaminated.
- Working currently with our Town Attorney, Ken Gordon, and Waste Management to figure out a solution to this issue.
- Work at Triangle Park involving spot maintenance and repair of the iconic gazebo will be done this year. We are currently securing pricing for the labor and materials.
- Irrigation has been fixed at Triangle Park, including to the poles, so we expect to be able to install some hanging baskets to beautify the structure and add visual interest surrounding the gazebo area.

Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter

- Registration is now open for all Summer Programs, regardless of residency status.
- Summer Programs preparations have been underway. We are busy hiring seasonal staff to fill our available positions in our summer camps.
- Memorial Day Ceremony has been planned for Monday, May 27th at 2:00 pm at the Veteran's Memorial.
- The Department is busy planning for numerous upcoming community events: Memorial Day, Bike Rodeo, Family Spring Fling (Dance), Splash Into Summer, Summer Concert Series, and more!
- We have also been busy participating in community wide opportunities to engage with the public to perform publicity and engage the community interest for the Department and its programming!
- Farmers Market is up and running back outdoors at the Brighton High School on Sundays from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. The first week was cold and rainy, but all went well!

Winter Farm Market Update

- The Barn exterior has been painted and we have received positive feedback from community members on the color scheme.
- Contractors continue work making the structure less shell-like. Work is proceeding well.

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee Update

- Working through a few small issues in finalization of the contact with Gwen Inc., and once those details have been worked out, we will move forward with convening the committee.
- We do intend to begin meeting this season, and will not wait until after the summer to convene for the first time.

Community Choice Aggregation Law Update

- There will be an interview with the two respondent Community Choice Aggregation Administrators that have met certification qualifications under the NYS Public Service Committee tomorrow, May 23, 2019, hosted by the Town of Irondequoit.

- All four municipalities that are party to the Memorandum of Understanding to collaborate in the selection of a CCA Administrator will be part of the initial interview process.

Renovation Repair and Painting (RRP) Certification Update

- New permit is online and available to the public.
- We have received some concerned feedback from residents and contractors, but our very capable staff has been able to explain that the changes in the permitting process reflect the federal guidelines for lead certification of contractors with regard to Renovation, Repair and Painting of certain structures prior to 1979, that pose significant risk of exposure to lead.

Brighton Safe Streets for All Update

PACE Program Update and Complete Streets Makeover Contest Update – Christine Corrado

- Re-Connect Rochester Complete Streets Makeover Contest advanced our nominated intersection at Torrington and Brooklawn at Monroe Ave to the next round for consideration. We are among the top eleven projects being considered.
- We should hear by early next week if we will get a conceptual make-over.
- If we are awarded a conceptual makeover, we could use that guidance to work with the state to advocate for changes in that intersection.
- PACE Car sample materials from programs (eg., Raleigh Durham, NC) were distributed and reviewed by committee meeting attendees. We will distribute those materials electronically, along with the meeting minutes.
- There are hopes to fast track the PACE Car program, and roll it out before school is out for the summer, targeting the weekend of June 23rd at the Brighton Farmers Market
- Opportunities for future, ongoing promotion discussed
- Discussion of branding for the program locally, across other communities and the region

NEW BUSINESS

Clean Sweep Debrief – Robin Wilt

- Strong participation of around 350 participants total (between strong Brighton Central School District and community support).
- We encountered minor issues with t-shirts and divying them up between school buildings and our Town Hall locations, but ultimately, it all worked out.
- By all accounts, the event proceeded very smoothly this year.

Proposed Schedule for Councilmember on Your Corner Schedule – Robin Wilt

- A schedule of second and fourth Sundays through the summer market session was suggested for Councilmembers to staff a booth at the Farmers Market.
- Discussion of possible theme for each session. We will work with Sue Gardner Smith to align with those themes already contemplated by the Farmers Market for those weekends.

Noise Ordinance Update:

- Attorney to the Town, Ken Gordon, provided a brief overview of neighboring towns that have hours-based restrictions on the operation of lawn maintenance and construction equipment.
- The overview of area ordinances distributed and reviewed, and it was noted that at 7 AM, Brighton's window for operation of lawn and construction equipment was the earliest.

- Discussion of the need for unambiguous language in any revision of codes to facilitate enforcement of the ordinance.
- We will now conduct similar benchmarking of decibel-based ordinances, to gain a greater understanding of how our neighbors monitor noise nuisances related to lawn maintenance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Semi-Annual Electronics Recycling and Document Shredding Event

Brighton Highway Department, 1941 Elmwood Avenue
Saturday, May 18th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Memorial Day Observance

Brighton Veterans Memorial, 1341 Westfall Rd
Monday, May 27th, 2019, 2:00 pm

Bike Rodeo

Brighton High School Flag Pole
Sunday, June 2nd, 2019, 10:00 am

Family Spring Fling

Join us for a night full of fun, laughter, dancing and treats. Dancers of all ages are welcome! Must be pre-registered! Space is limited. Registrations will NOT be accepted at the door.

Friday, June 7

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Fee: **\$10 / person (1 Day) Space is limited, registration required, event usually sells out!!**

Location: Buckland Park Lodge

Splash Into Summer

Join the Recreation Department as we kick off summer with a splash! The Outdoor Pool will be open for free swim and staff members will lead a multitude of interactive games and activities on the grounds around the pool. Bring the whole family and help us get summer started! Children must be supervised by parents during this event. This event is free, registration is not required!

Friday, June 21

4:00 - 5:30 pm

Brighton Town Hall Pool & Grounds

FREE

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday

June 19th, 2019

9:30 am Brookside