



## Community Services Committee

Town of Brighton, Monroe County, New York

Councilmember Robin Wilt, Chairperson

Councilmember Christine Corrado, Co-Chairperson

### **AGENDA**

**October 16, 2019**

**Location: Brookside Recreation Center, 220 Idlewood Road**

**Time: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM**

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#### **PRESENT:**

#### **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

#### **OPEN FORUM**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September 18, 2019

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- September 9, 2019: Barbara Bowerman (Forwarded by Pattie Taylor Brown) (CONTINUED)
  - RE: Pocket Park at the End of Bonnie Brae, Beautification Committee, et al.

#### **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**Park Issues: Matt Beeman**

**Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter**

**Winter Farmers' Market Update**

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

**Community Choice Aggregation Law Update**

**Brighton Safe Streets for All Update**

PACE Program Update: Christine Corrado

Design Connect MOU Update: Christine Corrado

**Councilmember on Your Corner Update**

Remaining Schedule for Outdoor Market and Winter Market Planning: Robin Wilt

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**Brighton Complete Count Committee (2020 Census) Update: Robin Wilt**

**Brighton Opt in to Rent Stabilization (Emergency Tenant Protection Act - EPTA): Robin Wilt**

Anti-Displacement Learning Network Request for Applications (RFA)

**Community Services Committee Website Update**

**Mobile African American History Display Update**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Territory Acknowledgment (See Attached)**

**Visible Representations of Religious Holidays**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Sensory Friendly Trick or Treating**

Brighton Town Hall Lobby

Friday, October 18th, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

**Fall Festival**

Brighton Town Hall Campus/Brighton Memorial Library

Saturday, October 19th, 10:00 – 11:30 am

**Halloween Happy House**

Buckland Farmhouse, 1341 Westfall Rd, Rochester, NY 14618

Friday, October 25th, 5:00 – 6:00 pm

**Haunted Grounds at the Buckland Farmhouse**

Buckland Farmhouse, 1341 Westfall Rd, Rochester, NY 14618

Friday, October 25th, 6:00 – 9:00 pm

**Semi-Annual DEA Pharmaceutical Take Back Event**

Brighton Town Hall Public Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Saturday, October 26th, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Veterans Luncheon**

Brighton Town Park, Carmen Clarke Lodge, 777 Westfall Road

Friday, December 6th, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

## **NEXT MEETING:**

***Wednesday***

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

9:30 am: Brookside Recreation Center

**Subject:** Re: Park at end of Bonnie Brae and other questions

**Date:** Monday, September 9, 2019 at 6:55:22 PM Eastern Daylight Time

**From:** Pattie Brown

**To:** Barbara Bowerman

**CC:** Robin Wilt, Town Of Brighton Bill Moehle

Hi Barbara,

More good questions! I see that you forwarded to Bill and Robin, so we'll wait for their reply.

Cheers,

pattie

On Sep 7, 2019, at 11:10 AM, Barbara Bowerman <[rllmb17@gmail.com](mailto:rllmb17@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi

I have another question posed by some neighbors. Does the Town have any plans to beautify Monroe from Highland to 12 Corners? No grasses/weeds please! Maybe flowering trees to soften the landscape? I have lived in Brighton for 48 years and remember almost all of the commercial properties along Monroe Avenue being privately owned homes!

Update on neglected swimming pool at 31 Sonora.....the Town dropped the ball and so did the MCDH. Pool is still attracting mosquitos. The house has been for sale since last summer...pool and all! This is not a homeowner who takes pride in his property!

On Sat, Sep 7, 2019 at 5:27 AM Pattie Brown <[pattie@rochestercaterer.com](mailto:pattie@rochestercaterer.com)> wrote:

Hi Barbara,

I'm forwarding your note of interest to Bill Moehle, Town Supervisor and Robin Wilt, member of the Town Board.

Bill, Robin, what say you?

Sincerely,

pattie taylor brown  
40 Bonnie Brae

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Barbara Bowerman <[rllmb17@gmail.com](mailto:rllmb17@gmail.com)>

**Subject: Park at end of Bonnie Brae**

**Date:** September 6, 2019 at 1:45:14 PM EDT

**To:** Pattie Taylor Brown <[pattie@rochestercaterer.com](mailto:pattie@rochestercaterer.com)>

Hi

Who is responsible for the care of the above? (Park at end of Bonnie Brae) It is overgrown and not very attractive or welcoming.

What are the Brighton Beautification Committee goals?

Personally, I think the Monroe Ave corridor plantings are a dismal failure. I understand that was a grant project.

Two of my neighbors were interested in the committee. They completed paperwork and never got a response.

Isn't this a volunteer committee?

How was the Committee chosen?

What were the prerequisites? Just curious.

Barbara Bowerman  
42 Sonora Pkwy

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**Resolution Regarding the Adoption of a Territory Acknowledgment Statement in  
Town of Brighton Public Events and Meetings**

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Whereas, the Town of Brighton is situated on traditional lands of the Seneca tribe of the Iroquois confederacy, and The 1788 Buffalo Creek Treaty eliminated the Seneca's claim to the 2,500,000 acres east of the Genesee River, where their trails crossed the Genesee country, connecting Lake Ontario with the Genesee River,

Whereas, the Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Board, in its mission (as adopted by the Brighton Town Board on January 24, 2018), seeks to celebrate diversity and the value of a diverse community through substantive and visible strategies rooted in education, understanding, and respect,

Whereas, the Town of Brighton, in founding Inclusion Diversity and Equity Advisory Board, acknowledges that there is an imperative to highlight the benefits of appreciating different backgrounds, ethnicities, interests, abilities, genders, and sexual orientations; and thereby seeks to work to effectively raise community awareness about differences in others as related to race, religion, cultural differences, ability, sexual orientations and gender identity,

Whereas, the Inclusion Diversity and Equity Advisory Board, in its mission, works to develop and implement programs designed to create an inclusive environment, for the benefit of all that enjoy, live and work in the Town of Brighton, as part of "one" unified community; and also functions to promote the diversity goals of the Town of Brighton—to understand and respond to the needs of an increasingly diverse community—and to encourage respect and acceptance for those individual differences that enrich our community,

Whereas, the US Department of Arts and Culture notes that in countries such as New Zealand, Australia, Canada, and among tribal nations in the United States, as well as among some individuals and cultural and educational institutions in the United States, it is commonplace, and even policy, to open events and gatherings by acknowledging the traditional Indigenous inhabitants of that land,

Whereas, acknowledgment is a simple, yet powerful way of showing respect, and a first step toward correcting the stories and practices that erase Indigenous people's history and culture and toward inviting and honoring the truth,

Whereas, Indigenous solidarity is central to practicing social justice, and acknowledgment represents an initial step that be an opening to greater public consciousness of Native sovereignty and cultural rights, as well as a step toward equitable relationship and reconciliation,

Be it resolved, that the Town of Brighton adopt the following statement, henceforth referred to as the 'Traditional Territory Acknowledgment':



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*“As we come together publicly, the Town of Brighton would like to acknowledge that this gathering is situated on the un-ceded traditional lands of the Seneca tribe of the Iroquois confederacy--whom we recognize and respect as the traditional custodians of this land throughout the generations. We pay our respect to elders both past and present.”*

Be it resolved, that the Town of Brighton Traditional Territory Acknowledgment be stated at all public Town of Brighton events and meetings.

Resolved, that the Traditional Territory Acknowledgment be featured in a prominent location on the Town of Brighton's website.

Resolved by:

The Brighton Town Supervisor and remaining members of the Town Board