



Community Services Committee

Town of Brighton, Monroe County, New York

Councilmember Robin Wilt, Chairperson

Councilmember Christine Corrado, Co-Chairperson

MINUTES

January 19, 2022

Location: Brookside Recreation Center, 220 Idlewood Road

Time: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

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

MEETING CALL TO ORDER 9:39 am

OPEN FORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES CC, WM

December 15, 2021

COMMUNICATIONS

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Park Issues: Matt Beeman

- Parks Department is busy setting up 2022 contracts and scoping potential projects
- Parks, especially trails, continue to see heavy use. We seem to be receiving a higher volume of requests for snow removal, but some trails simply are not well-suited for accommodating snow removal equipment and seeing as snow cover on trails allows for a wider range of active and passive recreation options, current policy of not plowing trails will continue.
- One exception may be the canal trail between Edgewood Ave and Kendrick St, which we are exploring with our jurisdictional partners.
- Lodge Maintenance Projects are ongoing, as opportunity arises.

Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter

- Winter/Spring Program registration has begun – offerings have been very well received by the community and program registrations are proceeding apace
- Contracts for 2022 being completed with vendors
- Looking toward Summer facility planning for camps and programs
- Continue to adjust Recreation operations based on COVID safety protocols
- Brighton Senior Grab N Go program is continuing, as COVID exigencies endure. There has been a commitment by staff to provide low-cost, nutritional meal options and we continue to explore vendor options to meet those goals

- AARP Basic Tax Appointments have returned as an offering, much to the pleasure of the community
- Work on the Community Center Feasibility Study continues

Winter Farmers' Market Update

- 3 Renderings for Phase 3 will be presented to the January Architectural Review Board for input

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Board Update

- January Meeting was cancelled amid co-chair and consultant time constraints
- The progress on the IDEA Plan has been steady, and the timetable is still to present a draft plan to the Community Services Committee as soon as practicable and then to the Town Board
- The new full time diversity staff position job description is being developed in accordance with the civil service process and we hope to be able to fill that role in accordance with the 2022 Budget soon

Community Choice/Community Solar Aggregation Update

- Roctricity published a story on Brighton's success with CCA on Monroe Community Power Website
- We are looking ahead toward our two-year contract conclusion, and going out to bid again in the second half of the year
- Discussion of potential challenges upon contract conclusion due to market uncertainty
- Discussion of issues with accurate billing going out to (in particular, budget billing) customers from RGE
- Expanded Solar for All Application to PSC from NYSERDA and National Grid discussion in light of our community having already passed the enabling law for opt-out community solar

CEC Community Priority Actions/Sustainability Funds Update

- Discussion of charging stations and possible locations, where does installation make the most sense?
- Discussion of expansion of Pollinator Habitat

Urban League of Rochester/ESL/Town of Brighton First-time Homebuyer's Program Update

- Discussion with Key Bank on potential program for Brighton
- Weighing all options to find the best program for Brighton

Adopt-A-Site Program Update

- Will be following up and meeting with Town Attorney on this

Clean Sweep 2022 Update

- Wegmans confirmed donation of the subs
- MCDOT has issued permit
- Sponsorship requests will continue
- School Facilities confirmed

2022 Community Services Committee Calendar Final Revisions

- Final Calendar Attached

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Brighton Town Historian Report – Mary Jo Lanphear

- Historian Annual Report Attached
- Busy year, both in person and on Zoom
- Partnership with SUNY Geneseo students to develop a repository center for public history in the region led to a fruitful collaboration
- Worked on identifying Restrictive Covenants and researched archives, resulting in an article on restrictive covenants in Historic Brighton and a PowerPoint presentation about their history
- Brighton Town Hall Mural has been researched and a draft report has been submitted
- Looking to have something ready in November for Indigenous Peoples Month to explain the context of murals and improve accuracy. Maybe QR Codes, or an accurate historical narrative
- Continue to work with the Historic Preservation Committee identifying historic homes for historic designation based either on the occupants of the house or the significance of the house notable architects etc.
- Worked on Biographies for past Town Supervisors and moving on to Town Clerks

United Nations' Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons – David Kramer (not in attendance)

- Signed January 2020
- Discussion on UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
- Discussion Tabled

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DEA National Pharmaceutical take Back

Brighton Town Hall Public Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue
Saturday, April 30th, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Brighton Clean Sweep

Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue
Saturday, May 7th, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Semi-Annual Electronics Recycling and Secure Document Shredding Event

Brighton Highway Department Parking Lot, 1940 Elmwood Avenue
Sunday, May 15th, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday

February 16th, 2022
9:30 am: Brookside Recreation Center