



## Community Services Committee

Town of Brighton, Monroe County, New York

Councilmember Robin Wilt, Chairperson

Councilmember Christine Corrado, Co-Chairperson

### **MINUTES**

**August 21, 2024**

**Location: Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Ave, Main Auditorium**

**Time: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM**

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**PRESENT: William Moehle, Robin Wilt, Louise Novros, Lisa Fybush**

### **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

10:00 am

### **OPEN FORUM**

- Louise Novros and Lisa Fybush were in attendance to discuss concerns related to the Town of Brighton Pool
- All feedback and options are being reviewed and discussed as we move forward.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**WM, RW**

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**WM, RW**

July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

#### **Park Issues: Matt Beeman**

- Summer seasonal laborers have concluded their shifts for the year.
  - This is the first season in a long time that we were able to have all seasonal positions filled.
  - This is due to a more competitive pay rate.
  - The extra hands have been a huge help to meet park maintenance demands
- Playground installation at Brighton Town Park was completed at the end of July, and the town was able to realize considerable savings through an installation oversight agreement with the equipment manufacturer. We hope to continue that partnership in the future.
- Town Hall playground is next on the schedule to be replaced (based on longevity). We will be redesigning the playground with accessibility as a priority (as the Sway Fun glider is already a feature component of the playground). As such, the Parks Department is in discussion with

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Brighton Kiwanis as a potential partner and considering design elements that are zero-entry, as well as a rubberized surface.

- With summer concluding and recent bouts of stormy weather, the labor focus has been shifted to trail maintenance
- Fall sport athletic field requests have also been coming in apace, and parks staff are mindful of the upcoming space allocation needs of all program participants.
- Incidentally, the Spring season involved 1700-1800 youth participating in programming through the Parks and Recreation Departments, demonstrating the sheer vastness of scope and impact that these departments have on community recreation offerings.

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

- Summer camps, concerts etc. have concluded and the Brighton Town Pool is closed for the Summer.
- End of summer camps, where programming is less tied to a given facility, but rather participants and staff engage in community programming that is offered, are very popular as an offering and are going great
- Upcoming Afterschool Program is at capacity at both locations with only a few openings on Fridays, again reflecting the high demand for flexible and affordable quality childcare in the region.
- Fall Planning for recreation programming is underway. Registration begins on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> for Residents, and on September 10<sup>th</sup> for Non-Residents
- The Brighton Community Bike Rides have been very well received. The second ride had 39 participants. The third and final ride of the year is scheduled for Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and is being sponsored by WomanTours Inc.
- Emily Kelsey, Brighton Senior Citizen Supervisor will be leaving the Department mid-October. The search for her replacement is well underway and we've received a number of qualified applicants. We hope to have her replacement in place prior to her leaving to allow for sufficient overlap and training of the new staff member.

### **Winter Farmers' Market Update**

- Continue to explore creative uses for the space
- Lifespan Fall Prevention Community Event on 9/19/24
- Punch list items are complete from last phase of construction

### **Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Board Update: Miriam Moore**

- Committee met last week and is working on Hispanic Heritage Month programming and Town Talk series, that is to resume this Fall
- The committee will also likely be assisting with Hispanic Heritage Month at the Market, on September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Discussion and review of Pride activities

### **CEC Community Priority Actions/Sustainability Funds Update**

- Grant was approved by the Town Board at our August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Pricing has come in on the potential solar panel portion for the Town Hall renovation project

- Discussion of feedback regarding Brighton Town Hall project and parking needs and the SOC recommendation for sidewalk connection of Sylvan to the pedestrian sidewalk

### **Pollinator Pathway Challenge Update**

- Applications continue to come in
- Discussion of format of the application to participate and whether it is accessible for lay participants.
- Current caretaker of the Pollinator Garden at Meridian Centre Park will no longer be able to care for it. Parks Department will continue with the care, hoping to have a volunteer step up to assist with plant selection, maintenance, oversight, etc...

### **Town of Brighton Annual Clean Sweep and Recycling Events Updates**

- Legacy vendors have committed to Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> for our semi-annual Shredding/Recycling event
- Discussion of truck capacity and temporary storage bin quantities provided for the shredding portion of the event and whether our current vendor is meeting those requirements
- No problem with the EWaste+ vendor, who will return again in the Fall
- Discussion of the community lunch portion of Clean Sweep and the shift toward people not staying and eating at French Road Elementary School after the clean up portion of the event. Our desire to rebuild this portion of the event

### **2024 Councilmember on Your Corner**

- Last Council Member on Your Corner of the season will be: Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the IDEA Board visibility and Hispanic Heritage Month programming.
- Events have been very successful this summer and the Market continues to grow more vibrant and engage more members of the community.
- Including Cultural elements to the celebrations at the Market has been a great addition, and we continue to build connections to the broader community

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Potential Updates to Community Recreation Feasibility Study Website**

(Tabled for next meeting with loss of quorum.)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **Mighty Motors**

Brighton Highway Department, 1941 Elmwood Avenue  
 Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>:  
 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. – Sensory Friendly Program  
 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Full Program

### **Community Bike Ride**

Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 pm

Free, but registration is required.  
[www.townofbrighton.org/rec](http://www.townofbrighton.org/rec)

**Halloween Trunk or Treat**

Brighton Town Hall, Public Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue  
Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:30 AM

**Sensory Friendly Trick or Treating**

Brighton Town Hall, main floor offices, 2300 Elmwood Avenue  
Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, Time TBD

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

Brighton Town Hall, public Safety Wing, 2300 Elmwood Avenue  
Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

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

Brighton Highway Department, 1941 Elmwood Avenue  
Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Wednesday**

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
9:30 am (or immediately following Finance and Administrative Services Committee meeting): Brighton Recreation Center