



Community Services Committee

Town of Brighton, Monroe County, New York

Councilmember Robin Wilt, Chairperson

Councilmember Christine Corrado, Co-Chairperson

MINUTES

May 21, 2025

Location: Brookside Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room, 1666 Winton Rd S.

Time: 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

9:08 am

OPEN FORUM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

WM, RW

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April 16th, 2025

COMMUNICATIONS

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Parks Update: Matt Beeman

- Mowing has been a priority in the parks to keep the fields ready for athletic events.
- The Department is utilizing new equipment acquired through the 2024 CIP to do grass cuttings between the contracted mowings, so that the fields are kept in playable condition.
- Recent storms have necessitated tree clean up on our trail systems.
- The new Tree Nursery gate is to be installed the week of Memorial Day.
- Irrigation to the Tree Nursery (which is also accessible to the Community Garden) will be provided through the Water District serving the Community Garden.
- The connector trail from the Farm Market Barn to the Buckland House Parking Lot has been reconstructed in the low spots needing attention, thereby improving accessibility.
- Planning for our July 4th celebration is well underway.
- After a lengthy interview process (over 150 applications) the Department has filled the remaining full time position vacancy and we expect the new employee to start on June 9th.
- Discussion of Persimmon Park Connection from the end of Pinnacle Rd. to the park

Recreation Programs: Rebecca Cotter

- Summer Concert Series is now finalized.
- Summer Program Registration is open and ongoing for the Recreation Department.
- Staffing updates for both Full Time and Part Time Seasonal Positions were discussed, given the demands on the Recreation Department.
- The Recreation Department experienced a busy weekend of special events for the Department:
 - The Department supported: Brighton Community Bike Ride (5/16), End of year dance recital (5/17), Clean Sweep (5/17), and BVA Open House (5/18)
- Discussion of the numerous upcoming special events:
 - Memorial Day, 5/26
 - BFM Pride, 6/1
 - Bike Rodeo, 6/8
 - BFM Juneteenth, 6/15
 - BFM Eco Fair, 6/22
 - BFM Public Safety Day, 9/21
 - Brighton Community Bike Ride, 7/11
- Discussion of anticipated upcoming program for the Brighton Seniors to be presented by Chief Diversity Officer Miriam Moore--Pride and Juneteenth Trivia on June 24th.

Farmers' Market/Community Garden/Tree Nursery Update

- See above for Brighton Farmers Market event dates
- Discussion of Tree Nursery emailed update from George Smith regarding ongoing volunteer staffing.
- Community Garden Workday during the weekend of 5/17 was very successful
- Discussion of Community Garden membership enrollment process, waitlist and updates to the website.

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Board Update: Miriam Moore

- Juneteenth Commemoration for Friday, June 13 at noon, at Brighton Town Hall @ESU is being finalized.
 - The speakers align with the theme: Connecting the present with the past.
- Caribbean Heritage Month will be commemorated with a Proclamation again this year.
- Work continues on Pride Celebrations
- AANHPI program was very successful, with a packed audience and poignant reflections from all of our honorees

Sustainability Oversight Committee Update

- Reviewing the Town Hall Site as it relates to parking
- Discussion of site plan development and Bike Ped development
- Discussion of status of SOC CIP Report, and the importance of getting this in early in the process

Conservation Board Update

- Tree Nursery

Town of Brighton Annual Clean Sweep and Recycling Events Updates

- Clean Sweep and Recycling events went very well
 - EWASTE + picked up a total ten pallets of electronics constituting 25,210 lbs. of electronics that were kept out of our waste stream.
 - ProShred picked up 13,020 lbs. of paper, which is equal to 6.51 tons of processed materials, and 33 cubic yards of waste saved.
 - We had over 100 volunteers from the community and another 75 volunteers through the BCSD participate in this year's Clean Sweep
 - We again thank our generous monetary and in-kind donors for Clean Sweep: including the Brighton Fire Department, Brighton Teachers' Association, Brighton Rotary, Brighton Volunteer Ambulance, Canandaigua National Bank, Mancuso Brightman, PC, the Office of NYS Assemblymember Sarah Clark, the office of NYS Senator Jeremy Cooney, Canandaigua National Bank, ESL, Roselawn Neighborhood Association, Transcontinental Properties, LLC, Bagel Land, Starbucks, Tops Friendly Markets, and Jersey Mike's. It's our donors and volunteers who have made this community event possible for the last 22 years, and we are truly in your debt.
- Ongoing issue with the size of the shredding truck, and limited capacity
- Discussion of residential vs. commercial shredding
- Discussion of changing the location to better accommodate traffic demands

Beyond Pesticides Program for Monroe County and Codifying Town's policy on pesticide usage-

- Discussion of program and current practices that we are already doing that fit within their model
- Discussion of utilizing the invasive management model vs. a field management as a pilot program

Town Updates to the Public and Town Website Updates

- Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember on Your Corner – 2025

- Communication will go out with proposed dates after coordinating with Brighton Farmers Market

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Memorial Day Commemoration

Brighton Veterans Memorial at Buckland Park, 1341 Westfall Road
Monday, May 26th at 2:00 pm

PRIDE at the Brighton Farmers Market

Sunday, June 1st, 2025, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
In partnership with Rochester LGBTQ+ Together, this special event will include a welcome and opening remarks, live music entertainment, and an LGBTQ+ community organization fair.

Juneteenth Commemoration

Brighton Town Hall @ Empire State University, 680 Westfall Road
Friday, June 13th, 2025, 12:00 pm

Juneteenth at the Brighton Farmers Market

Sunday, June 15th, 2025, 9:30 am

PRIDE Commemoration

Brighton Town Hall @ Empire State University, 680 Westfall Road
Date and Time TBD

Community Bike Ride

Friday, July 11th, 2025, 6:30 pm (with one additional date anticipated in September.)
Explore Brighton by bike!
Free, but registration is required.
www.townofbrighton.org/rec

ROC PRIDE Parade

Intersection of South Avenue and Science Parkway (ends at Highland Park)
Saturday, July 19th, 11:00 am

NEXT MEETING:**Wednesday**

June 18th, 2025
10:00 am (or immediately following Finance and Administrative Services Committee meeting): Brighton Recreation Center, 1666 Winton Road S.)