



Town of Brighton

MONROE COUNTY, NEW YORK

SUSTAINABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, SOC

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Sustainability Oversight Committee

May 2, 2012

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: The meeting was held in the Stage Conference Room at the Brighton Town Hall and began at 7:05 PM.

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| Paul Tankel, Chairperson | present |
| Stephen Kittelberger | present |
| Erinn Ryen | present |
| Paul Gardner | present |
| Ronald Wexler, Vice Chair | present |
| Shubhangi Gandhi | present |
| Peter DeBaal | absent |
| Michael Guyon, PE | present |

Minutes: The draft April 4nd meeting minutes were approved without modifications.

Open Forum:

Announcements:

Old Business

A. Temple B'rith Kodesh Presentation

Ron, Erinn, and Subhanghi attended the meeting. The presentation lasted about 45 minutes and had approximately 25 attendees. It was Temple B'rith Kodesh's first exposure to the SOC. A link to the SOC should be provided on the Town's web page. The webpage should include reports/studies, such as the lighting evaluation, links to informational sites, SOC announcements/events, relevant articles annual reports and the meeting agendas and minutes.

The Town is currently in the process of updating the website and the above referenced modifications will be incorporated into the new website.

B. Town Board Presentation

Mike G. will provide Mary Ann Hussar with a copy of the power point presentation for the Town Board. The first slide of the presentation should be revised to include a listing of the members of the committee. The second slide should be removed and the leaf collection vacuum should be placed on the slide that discusses Town Operations and Facilities. The last slide should include a link to the Town's website and contact info. The presentation will be on the May 9th Town Board agenda.



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C. Recycling Letter

Steve K. will contact John Steinbrenner of the Parks and Rec. committee to follow up on the proposed recycling plan and discuss its success.

D. CBG Energy Fair

The SOC has not registered for the Energy fair. The SOC would consider sharing a booth with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force but the task force may already have plans for their booth. The date for the fair is June 10th. Subhanghi will put together a presentation board for the Energy Fair. Ron W. and Mike G. will develop a binder including the SOC's accomplishments

E. SOC Intern

The SOC is considering a college level intern to assist with studies and committee assignments. The SOC should develop a program which outlines the responsibilities of the intern and the anticipated deliverables for the position. This letter should be presented to local colleges to investigate student and faculty interest. A program could be developed where the intern would receive college credit for their participation with the SOC. The SOC should contact Karen Berger at the U of R regarding the intern program.

The Brighton High School indicated that students could be available to assist the SOC with studies and data gathering. The SOC should identify tasks appropriate for a high school student.

F. Brighton News Letter –Erinn

Mike G. will contact Doug Clapp, Town Communication Officer, regarding the length of the letter. Erinn will revise the existing article and forward to the SOC members for their comment.

G. Sustainability Oversight Committee –Vice Chairman

Ron W. has been appointed the Vice Chairman for the SOC.

H. Development Updates

Mike Guyon provided the attached summary.

I. Green schools/Brighton CSD- Ron W.

J. Waterless or Propane Fracking

Shubhangi emailed an article regarding the use of liquefied propane in the hydraulic fracturing process. The use of propane may provide an alternative that is not considered in the Town's present moratorium on fracking. This new technique would not generate the wastewater associated with the current hydraulic fracturing method. The SOC will investigate



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hydraulic fracturing using propane and report to the Town Board. Meanwhile the existing moratorium on hydro fracking should be revised to consider propane hydraulic fracturing. Ron W. did some cursory research and identified that the transportation and storage of the propane creates the potential for a large explosion.

Mike G. will investigate the expiration of the moratorium. The SOC should investigate regulatory requirements regarding hydraulic fracturing once the moratorium expires.

- K.** Review of “parking lot” – The SOC reviewed the items contained in the “parking lot” and determined that many of the priority issues have been addressed. The SOC members should identify new issues to add to the “parking lot”.

New Business

- **Website**

SOC members should develop ideas for additions and updates to the website.

A representative of Color Brighton Green will attend a portion the next SOC meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on June 6th, 2012 in the Stage Conference Room at 7:00 PM to 8:30 pm at Town Hall.

Minutes submitted by: Eric Mineker