



Town of Brighton

MONROE COUNTY, NEW YORK

SUSTAINABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, SOC

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Sustainability Oversight Committee May 7, 2014

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Paul Tankel, Ron Wexler, Shubhangi Gandhi, Stephen Kittelberger, Rochelle Bell, Chris Werner, Mike Guyon, Michael DeClerck (First Half), Evert Garcia

Minutes: The April 2, 2014 meeting minutes were approved.

Open Forum: Mike DeClerck, Waste Management

Announcements: There were no announcements at the April SOC meeting.

Old Business

- Recycling
 - Mike DeClerck from Waste Management attended the first half of the meeting to discuss recycling efforts within the Town of Brighton.
 - Mike D. described the new single stream recycling process now being used in Monroe County.
 - The SOC inquired about the possibility of distributing a second large tote to residences due to the anticipated increase in recycled material resulting from the single stream process. Mike D. explained that he believes that Waste Management may implement a second tote dedicated to recycling over time, however, at this point it would be too cost prohibitive. Additionally, Mike D. stated that Waste Management will provide residents a second blue recycling bin if they desire.
 - The SOC wants to measure/quantify how much the Town of Brighton is recycling. Mike DeClerck will brainstorm on how best to quantify that amount.
 - The SOC suggested that “Color Brighton Green” events are a good platform for recycling education.
 - The SOC wants to meet with Matt Beeman, Superintendent of Parks to discuss recycling efforts at Town parks.
- 2013 Annual Report
 - The annual report has been finalized and received by the Town Board.



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- Climate Smart Communities
 - The SOC will research what other communities have done as part of the climate smart community pledge.
 - The SOC will also contact Ann Spalding for recommendations on Climate Smart Communities activities.

New Business

- Carbon Benefit Template
 - Ron gave a presentation on the social cost of carbon and how it is implemented in other communities.
 - The SOC discussed the social cost of carbon and how to apply it to a project's cost/benefit analysis. More in-depth discussion will be held on this matter in subsequent SOC meetings.
- Farash Trail TAP application
 - Bayer Landscape Architecture, PLLC has been selected to provide design and construction observation services for the Farash Trail project.
 - Mike G. is seeking for a letter of support from the SOC to include in the TAP application that is being submitted for the Farash Trail project. Some discussion on whether or not the SOC will support this application due to the nature of the work ensued. Each member of the SOC will review the draft letter of support and inform Mike if they choose to support the application.

Adjournment

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 11, 2014.