

Bradley Beach Environmental Commission

January 4, 2021; 07:00 PM

In attendance: Arye, Meredith, Al, Dan, Liz, John, Zack Karvelas and Lauren Lastimososa (guests from Unwaste)

Agenda

- 1.) Welcome
- 2.) Old Business
 - a. Elections
 - i. Secretary
 1. Nomination: Arye (Meredith)
 2. Second: Geoff
 3. All in favor
 - ii. Chair
 1. Nomination: Meredith (Geoff)
 2. Second: Arye
 3. All in favor
 - b. Maritime Forest update
 - i. Shell is down; path is cleared; fence guy is working on estimate for fencing (and other things) currently
 - ii. Access road is done
 - iii. Will be renamed as Julie Schreck Maritime Forest (idea coming from Councilman Gubitosi and the rest of the Council)
 - c. Pollinator Pathways
 - i. Geoff recently got a response (!!)
 - ii. Can BBEC host a meeting community-wide for people interested in participating
 - iii. PP can do a zoom workshop
 - iv. When should we do this? And how can we contact all in community?
 1. Perhaps they can present to BBEC first
 - a. Commission agrees
- 3.) New Business
 - a. 2021 thoughts/priorities/actions
 - b. Composting company [Un-Waste](#)
 - i. Questions/idea from John
 1. Individual workshop signups
 2. Opportunities with Borough
 - ii. Microhauling organic waste (residential and commercial)
 1. Focused on Brick to Asbury stretch of coast
 - iii. Open to collaboration with Borough
 1. Could be a great opportunity for education and participation from BBES

- iv. Provide sanitized bucket for households or businesses
 - 1. Pick up and bring to Trenton Renewables (formerly Trenton Biogas)
 - a. Carbon capture technologies and composting capabilities
- v. State-level and municipality-level interest
- vi. Five Bradley Beach residents and one business (Bradley Brew Project) have signed up already
 - 1. Bucket pickups can be arranged weekly or biweekly; buckets are replaced with sanitized buckets at pickup
 - a. Pickup charges
 - i. Weekly- \$32 (5 lb. bucket)
 - ii. Bi-weekly- \$20
 - iii. 4-week contract period
 - iv. Summer signups available
 - b. Unwaste provides data for residents on how much waste they create, and thus their carbon offset
 - c. All food scraps are accepted
 - d. Pickup and box truck for pickups
 - e. Businesses get 64 lb. bins
- vii. Other communities with residential customers
 - 1. Asbury Park
 - 2. Belmar
 - 3. Point Pleasant
 - 4. Brick
- viii. Opportunity toward Sustainable Jersey actions
- ix. Interest in municipality participation from other towns
 - 1. Outreach is challenging
- x. Meredith recommends we reach out to BB Business Alliance for commercial participation (restaurants especially)
 - 1. Perhaps we can have BBBP discuss their experience with other businesses in town
- xi. NJ State Law 2021 (going into effect October 2021) mandates businesses producing 52 tons per year of food waste must compost
- xii. Possibility for facility in Monmouth County?
 - 1. Would require money, permitting, and time to build out

4.) Motion to Adjourn

a. All in favor

5.) Adjourn: 7:35 PM

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE – NOV report...

Sustainability and Coastal Stewardship (Environmental Commission)

Action Area:

Meredith DeMarco and Environmental Commission proposed the following strategic recommendations for 2021 – Environmental Resource, Birds and Animal Inventory , Lake Stability and Standards, Community Gardens, and Shade Tree Commission (% of Shade Tree Coverage) collaboration. Beach Science project to be discussed. Report from 10 Years ago to be reviewed.

- (1) Beachfront and Oceanfront Development (Beachfront and Oceanfront Task Force)

Action Areas:

The Task Force reconvened and recommends these Beachfront and Oceanfront Capital improvements for the 2021 Beach Capital Budget, and urges allocation to these priorities as a positive resident action. Priorities- Restaurant, Showers, Water Bottle Stations, Extended Mats/ Accessibility , Bike Racks, Playground Upgrades, Street Crossings . Estimated Cost \$350,000.

Post Meeting , the following items have been added by Al Gubitosi for consideration and prioritization by the Task Force - Horseshoe Board Replacement, Additional Ramps for Seniors, Disabled and Children, New Lifeguard Benches. Estimated Cost \$250,000. Also, consideration suggested for purchasing light poles from JCPL and relocating benches.

Followup report and discussion of Beautification recommendations and Water Flow will occur at December meeting. Beach Science project is recommended as an Environmental Commission project and will be discussed.