

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES

August 20, 2019

Board or Commission: Environmental
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: No

Date: August 20, 2019
Called to Order: 7:01 p.m.
Adjourned: 7:54 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

David Meehan	Chairman	Present
Jeff D. Abeln	Commissioner	Absent
Adrienne Gregory	Commissioner	Absent
Michael Malone	Commissioner	Absent
Christie Truitt	Commissioner	Absent
Jennifer E. Umlauf	Commissioner	Present
John W. Zelasco	Commissioner	Present

Also Present:

Craig Pryde	Liaison Trustee	Absent
Bill Holmer	Assistant Village Manager	Absent
Adam Kirk	Staff Intern	Absent
PUBLIC		
Jacquelyn Casazza	386 N. Main Street	

I. CALL TO ORDER

The **August 20, 2019** regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Meehan at **7:01 PM** at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

- II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Glen Ellyn resident, Jacquelyn Casazza asks the EC if there is going to be follow-up from the Solar Power Hour presentation. Chairman Meehan replies that Commissioner Abeln is in charge of that and he is not at tonight's meeting. This topic will be put on next month's agenda when Commissioner

Abeln is present and can discuss it.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM July 16, 2019 MEETING

MOVE TO APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FROM 7/16/2019

RESULT: Table to next month when the Commission has a Quorum

MOVER:

SECONDER:

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Chairman Meehan reports that budget approval will take place in October/November.
2. Commissioner Umlauf reports that recently a new ordinance was put on the books for consolidated waste efforts. The village has added dumpsters for this effort. However, Shock Park still has dumpsters in view from the Prairie Path. This is because businesses already have a 5 year dumpster lease. Chairman Meehan would like to add this to next month's agenda. He adds perhaps we could plant bushes in that area to hide the dumpsters from the Train and Prairie Path view. He asks the EC to bring feedback/ideas to the next meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Advisory/Development

1. CBD Streetscape – No report
2. Development Project Environmental Checklist – Chairman Meehan reports that he and Commissioner Abeln are working on this. They will be considering adding Solar to this checklist and are also looking at what the GRC has to offer.
3. The Taylor Street Pedestrian Tunnel – Chairman Meehan reports that a letter was sent to CPA and our comments were well received. CPA is going to go over our comments with the artist. The artist will come back to us with new drawings. Chairman Meehan adds that he and Commissioners Malone and Gregory have discussed fundraising ideas and will discuss more at next month's meeting.
4. Taylor Street Sustainable Landscaping – Commissioner Umlauf reports that she is waiting to hear back from Engineer Daubert and asks that this item be removed from the agenda going forward.

B. Education

1. Residents Seminars – Chairman Meehan would like to talk more about this at next month's meeting.
2. Sustainable Garden Tour– Commissioner Umlauf reports that Commissioner Truitt is putting together a recap for the next steps for 2020. We would like to offer this for the weekend after July 4th. Once the date is picked we can get people to commit. Chairman Meehan adds Commissioner Truitt wanted to add a line item in our budget for this. He will go back to Assistant Village Manager Holmer and give an estimate for the garden tour so we can get it in our budget for next year. A budget of \$1,000 for the Garden Tour would allow us to fund this event
3. Solar Power Hour Presentation – No report.

C. Sustainability

1. Tree Preservation and Improvement Plan – Commissioner Umlauf reports that there is a potential matching grant through the Arboretum that I will be sending to Public Works Director Hansen. She adds she will copy the information she sends to Chairman Meehan and Assistant Village Manager Holmer.
2. Greenest Region Compact – No report

D. Outreach

1. DuPage River Prairie Group – No report
2. Village Website Redesign – Chairman Meehan reports that he would like to drive more people to the EC website. He would like to add links and sources to our website to bring awareness to environmental issues/topics. Commissioner Umlauf adds we have a lot of content ideas; we just need to organize it and put it on our website. Commissioner Zelasco adds we have a lot of resources for recycling we can tap into. Chairman Meehan will follow up with Commissioner Truitt on this topic.
3. College of DuPage Environmental Club – Chairman Meehan has reached out to Rose Arnold at COD to see if she can attend one of the EC meetings. He will continue to work on this.
4. One Earth Film Fest – No report

VI. Trustee Liaison Report – No report.

VII. Staff Liaison Report – No report

VIII. Next Meeting & Adjournment

A. The next EC meeting will be held on September 17, 2019.

B. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Staff Liaison, Holmer