



Agenda
Village of Glen Ellyn
Environmental Commission
Special Meeting
Wednesday, June 17, 2020
7:00 PM
Virtual Meeting - Zoom

On March 16, 2020, Governor Pritzker issued Executive Order. No. 5 in response to COVID-19, which temporarily suspended certain requirements of the Open Meetings Act ILCS 120 allowing Village Board and Commission members to participate electronically in Board meetings.

Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend the hearing and who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and participate, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting or facilities, are requested to contact the Village at least 24 hours before the meeting.

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I. Call To Order

II. Public Participation

III. Minute Approval

1. February 18, 2020 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

IV. Announcements

V. New Business

A. Advisory

1. Electric Aggregation - Provide Recommendation for the June 22 Village Board Meeting

B. Sustainability

1. Recycling Extravaganza - August 22, 2020 or August 29, 2020

VI. Old Business

A. Education

1. Sustainable Garden Walk 2020 Cancelled - Ideas for Summer Education
2. Fall Native Plant/Shrub/Tree Sale - Next Steps before July Meeting
3. Fall "Green Gathering" Conversations at Glen Ellyn Public Library - Next Steps

4. Next Village Newsletter - Articles?

B. Sustainability

1. Marketing of Composting and Recycling Suggestions
2. Grant Funded Educational Garden - Update
3. Greenest Region Compact Resolution - Next Steps

C. Outreach

1. French Market - Volunteer Requests have been Filled

VII. Trustee Liaison's Report

VIII. Staff Liaison's Report

1. Update - Streetscape Project
2. Update - 5G in Glen Ellyn

IX. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

- A. The next Environmental Commission Meeting will be held on July 14, 2020
- B. Adjournment



Environmental Commission
535 Duane Street
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Meeting: 06/17/20 07:00 PM
Department: Environmental Commission
Department Head: Lindsey Kaminsky
Category: Minutes
Prepared By: Lindsey Kaminsky

SCHEDULED

AGENDA ITEM (ID # 4515)

DOC ID: 4515

February 18, 2020 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

ATTACHMENTS:

- 02182020 Draft Minutes (PDF)



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Environmental Commission
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 18, 2020
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 306

I. Call To Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jeff D. Abeln	Commissioner	Present
Jennifer E Umlauf	Commissioner	Present
Michael Malone	Commissioner	Excused
David T. Meehan	Chairman	Present
Christy Truitt	Commissioner	Excused
Jacquelyn Casazza	Commissioner	Present
William Holmer	Staff Liaison	Excused

II. Public Participation

None.

III. Minute Approval

1. January 21, 2020 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeff D. Abeln, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Jacquelyn Casazza, Commissioner
AYES:	Abeln, Umlauf, Meehan, Casazza
EXCUSED:	Malone, Truitt

IV. Announcements

None.

V. New Business

- A. New Member Update
No update at this time.

VI. Old Business

- A. Advisory/Development
 1. CBD Streetscape - Statement on Tree Options

Chairman Meehan read the below statement stating the Environmental Commission's stance and support of the Central Business District Streetscape Tree Plan:

The Village of Glen Ellyn asked the Environmental Commission to review multiple Tree Plan Options presented in its Memorandum of January 10, 2019, and to provide recommendations for the CBD Streetscape and Utility Improvements Project.

After careful consideration, the Commission supports the Village's plan to replace 95 of 109 existing trees within the CBD as set forth in Option A of its Memorandum. Support for Option A is conditioned on:

- The Village Board votes to fully implement its promise to both replace the 95 existing trees, in soil cells where possible, and to plant an additional **100-115 new trees, in soil cells where possible, in the area covered by the Plan** as part of the streetscape project (expected to be completed in 2023). When fully implemented, Option A will create a CBD with 185-225 new trees.*
- All trees must be planted as soon as feasibly possible based on construction, but no later than the completion of the CBD Streetscape Project.*

Soil Cell Recommendation: The Commission recommends installing soil cells such as Silva or ArborSystem in as many tree locations as possible. Trees need soil, air, water and nutrients in order to thrive in any environment. Soil cell systems are designed to provide trees in urban environments with suitable conditions that promote healthy growth, without disturbing the structures above. Mature trees, not new or struggling trees, provide value to urban environments and are the rare amenity that increases in value as they mature.

Community Education Budget Recommendation: We understand the replacement of existing trees will be a shock to the many citizens of Glen Ellyn who chose our village, in part because of its shady and charming downtown. We will all share a real sense of mourning at their loss. Still, we are confident the benefits to future generations of a healthier, more diverse, and longer-lasting urban forest in the CBD outweigh the painful adjustment period. In order to gain public support for this difficult option, the Commission recommend the Village allocate appropriate funds in the CBD Streetscape Project budget for extensive community education to explain the science and vision underlying the tree replacement plan.

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2. Taylor Street Pedestrian Tunnel

Commissioner Umlauf stated the Environmental Commission will plan to present the following options to the Village Board at an upcoming Village Board meeting or Village Board Workshop:

Option 1: Leave the tunnel as is.

Option 2: Public art from CPAG.

Option 3: Paint the interior of the tunnel in different colors, representing the four seasons.

Chairman Meehan will coordinate a meeting date with Staff Liaison Holmer for the Environmental Commission to present these options to the Village Board.

3. Development Project Environmental Checklist

No update at this time.

B. Education

1. Spring Newsletter Articles

Commissioner Umlauf stated that four or five articles were sent to the Village's Communications Coordinator, Megan Plahm for inclusion in the spring newsletter. The spring newsletter is expected to reach mailboxes mid-March.

2. Resident Seminars - Library "Green Gathering" Conversations

Commissioner Casazza stated there is a Green Gatherings seminar scheduled for Saturday, February 22. Commissioner Casazza stated both ComEd and the Citizen Utility Board will be presenting on energy efficiency.

Commissioner Abeln provided background information regarding the Village's electric aggregation program and energy efficiency. Commissioner Casazza stated she will ask the presenters to cover this information at the seminar.

3. Sustainable Garden Walk - Next Steps for 2020

No update at this time.

C. Sustainability

1. Greenest Region Compact Resolution - Next Steps

No update at this time.

2. Recycling Extravaganza - April 18, 2020

Chairman Meehan and Commission Abeln stated they are in the process of confirming vendors for the April 18 Recycling Extravaganza event.

3. Update on Grant Funded Educational Garden

No update at this time.

D. Outreach

1. Village Website Redesign and Marketing Strategy - Composting Information

Commissioner Casazza stated that Commissioner Truitt and herself are currently reviewing the website for potential updates, and they will work with Village Communications Coordinator Megan Plahm to make the updates. Commissioner Casazza also stated she would like to have the presentation slides from the Green Gathering seminars added to the website.

Chairman Meehan stated he would like to have a meeting with Commission Casazza and Commission Truitt regarding potential website changes.

2. Cub Scouts Talk and Volunteerism - March 1, 2020

Chairman Meehan stated a Cub Scout Troop has requested the Environmental Commission attend a meeting on March 1 to present information on the Environmental Commission. Chairman Meehan stated he is available to attend this meeting, and would like at least one additional commissioner to attend. As no other commissioners are available for the March 1 meeting, Commissioner Meehan will reach out to the troop to schedule another meeting date.

3. One Earth Film Festival/COD Film Festival - Payment of Fees to COD

Chairman Meehan stated the Environmental Commission has donated \$500.00 to the College of DuPage for the One Earth Film Festival. Commissioner Meehan will inquire on how else the Environmental Commission can assist in this event.

4. Volunteer Work Days - Partnership with Park District

No update at this time.

5. International Dark Sky Association - Presentation Co-Sponsor - COD - March 4, 2020

Chairman Meehan stated the Environmental Commission will co-sponsor this presentation. Chairman Meehan stated if possible, he would like the Environmental Commission members to attend this presentation, and inquired on how else to assist with this presentation.

Commissioner Casazza suggested inviting Adam Krueger to a future Green Gathering meeting to discuss this topic.

VII. Trustee Liaison's Report

No update at this time.

VIII. Staff Liaison's Report

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Respectfully Submitted, Lindsey Kaminsky Executive Assistant

Reviewed and Approved, Bill Holmer Staff Liaison