



Agenda  
Village of Glen Ellyn  
Environmental Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, September 21, 2021  
7:00 PM  
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Galligan Board Room

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*Members of the public are welcome to speak to any item not specifically listed on tonight's agenda. For those items which are on tonight's agenda, the public will have the opportunity to comment at the time the item is discussed. Individuals wishing to address the Commission shall exercise proper decorum and respect for the proceedings and the business of the Environmental Commission, and shall refrain from abusive demeanor and language. Commissioners are not obligated to respond to questions*

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Public Participation**
- C. Minute Approval**
  - 1) August 17, 2021
  - 2) September 7, 2021
- D. Staff Liaison's Report**
- E. Trustee Liaison's Report**
- F. Park District Liaison Report**
- G. Commission Discussion & Reports**
  - 1) Sustainable Communities (Arts/Mobility)
  - 2) Economic Development/Green Business
  - 3) Recycling/Composting
  - 4) Water Treatment & Storm Water Management
  - 5) Land Use (Greenscaping/Trees)
- H. Old Business**
- I. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment**
  - 1) October 19, 2021

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

## MINUTES

August 17th, 2021

**Board or Commission:** Environmental  
**Meeting:** Regular  
**Quorum:** Yes

**Date:** August 17, 2021  
**Called to Order:** 7:02 p.m.  
**Adjourned:** 8:37 p.m.

### MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

|                     |              |         |
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| Christie Truitt     | Chairman     | Absent  |
| Jeff D. Abeln       | Commissioner | Absent  |
| Jacquelyn Casazza   | Commissioner | Present |
| Karin Daly          | Commissioner | Present |
| Barbara Kwiatkowski | Commissioner | Present |
| David Meehan        | Commissioner | Present |
| Steve Swanson       | Commissioner | Present |
| Jennifer E. Umlauf  | Commissioner | Absent  |
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### Also Present:

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| Elijah Bebora  | Staff Intern                          |  |
| Renae Frigo    | Park District Liaison                 |  |
| Katie Hardesty | Glenbard West Student Eco Club Intern |  |
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### I. CALL TO ORDER

A motion was made by Commissioner Casazza and seconded by Commissioner Swanson to appoint Commissioner Meehan as Chairman Pro Tem for the August 17, 2021 regular meeting of the Environmental Commission.

MOVE TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER MEEHAN AS CHAIRMAN PRO TEM

RESULT: Motion unanimously carried

MOVER: Commissioner Casazza

SECONDER: Commissioner Swanson

AYES: 5

The **August 17, 2021** regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Pro Tem Meehan at **7:02 PM** at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

**II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 22, 2021 and July 20, 2021 MEETING –**  
Commissioner Swanson motions and Commissioner Daly seconds the motion to approve the minutes from June 22, 2021 and July 20, 2021.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM 6/22/2021 & 7/20/2021

RESULT: Motion unanimously carried

MOVER: Commissioner Swanson

SECONDER: Commissioner Daly

AYES: 5

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None**

**V. TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORT – No report**

**VI. STAFF LIAISON REPORT –** Intern Beborra spoke to Meredith Hannah regarding the music at the mural unveiling ceremony and she said it is not possible because there is not a speaker system.

**VII. PARK DISTRICT LIAISON'S REPORT –** Liaison Frigo reports she was approached by COD for the outdoor movie in the park. It will be on September 14<sup>th</sup> at the Sustainability Fair at Lake Ellyn Park and the documentary, *Kiss the Ground* will be featured. There will be various invited organizations to speak on sustainability 1 hour before the showing and the last 15 minutes after the film will be a Q&A. The EC will have a table set up to share information on composting during that hour. The other groups that will be participating are the COD Culinary Department, Fuel Garden and Pantry, Horticultural Department, Prairie Food Cooperation, Sustain DuPage, and Resiliency Group. A flier will be put together to promote this event. The EC should be ready to go at 6:30-7:30. Set-up will be at 5:45, the movie will be from 7:30-8:15, and the Q&A will be at 8:15-8:30. September 18<sup>th</sup> is the rain date. Commissioner Casazza volunteers to be at this event. She suggests having a QR code for residents to order their composting bin. She also encourages handing out the recycling pamphlets that Commissioner Umlauf has. Commissioner Daly also volunteers to help on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Native Tree and Shrub Sale: The Conservation Foundation organized online ordering which started on Sunday. This will be advertised on the Conservation Foundation website, the Park District's website, and in Glen Ellyn publications. The sale will go through September 15<sup>th</sup>. Liaison Frigo states we will need a few people to help with this event on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00. Volunteers will need to arrive by

8:30 at Sunset Pool. Commissioners Daly and Swanson volunteer to help.

## **VIII. COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

### *A. Sustainable Communities:*

1. Arts: Commissioner Kwiatkowski reports the library utility boxes have been painted. She will talk with the External Affairs department at AT&T to discuss the wraps for about 6 boxes. All boxes need maintenance and she is working on getting those utility companies to maintain and repaint. She will reestablish with AT&T and the External Affairs department for the approval of the wraps and artwork on the boxes.

2. Mobility: Commissioner Daly reports on the East Branch DuPage River Trail initiative. She scheduled a meeting with Chris Sneider and will know more next week after her meeting.

### *B. Economic Development:*

1. *Green Businesses:* Commissioner Casazza reports she and Commissioner Umlauf met and decided to meet with businesses to help them promote how they are being sustainable. We met with the Alliance of Downtown and Chamber of Commerce; both were receptive to the idea. Our goal is to go to a meeting with the businesses and then draft up the guidelines. Commissioner Casazza asks the EC to take note of any businesses that are doing anything worthy in the way of sustainability and report back.

Commissioner Casazza reports that at the Taste of Glen Ellyn there was not a way for attendees to recycle their aluminum cans. Commissioner Swanson states the EC should pass a resolution mandating recycling at all Village Events. Commissioner Meehan states we need to determine who is responsible in the Village to make sure recycling happens.

Commissioner Swanson motions to recommend the Village mandates the recycling of aluminum cans at all Village events, Commissioner Daly seconds the motion.

MOVE TO RECOMMEND THE VILLAGE MANDATES RECYCLING OF ALLUMINUM CANS AT ALL VILLAGE EVENTS

RESULT: Motion unanimously carried

MOVER: Commissioner Swanson

SECONDER: Commissioner Daly

Commissioner Kwiatkowski reports on the Recognition Program. She suggests offering a questionnaire on business sustainability and using a point scale to award the recognition status (i.e. bronze, silver, and gold) for the businesses and their efforts toward a more sustainable environment. She will continue to do research for this initiative.

*C. Waste:*

*1. Recycling and Composting:* Commissioner Meehan spoke with Commissioner Abeln about the Recycling Extravaganza. Abeln reported that he is on top of the vendors, but is unsure if the COD lot has been secured. He also asked if the flyer is complete and asked who provides the tables for the event.

Commissioner Daly states that the flyer has been started and was recently sent to Commissioner Abeln.

Commissioner Meehan states in the past the Assistant Village Manager has handled all of the table requests and the various departments within the village that need to take part in the event.

Intern Bebora will ask Emily Rodman about the COD lot and the Village infrastructure for this event. Commissioner Meehan adds all EC Commissioners should volunteer for this event since it is our biggest event. It will take place September 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-1:00.

*D. Water:*

*1. Water Treatment and Stormwater Management:* No report

*E. Land Use:*

*1. Greenscaping:* Commissioner Swanson reports we can discuss the redefinition of this project when Chairman Truitt and Commissioner Umlauf are in attendance. Commissioner Meehan adds we will add Village Sustainability Plan on the agenda for our next meeting.

*2. Stewardship of Trees:* No report

**IX. OLD BUSINESS – None**

**X. Next Meeting & Adjournment**

A. The next EC meeting will be held on September 21, 2021.

B. Commissioner Casazza motions and Commissioner Swanson seconds the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.

**Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary**

**Reviewed by Staff Liaison, Rodman**

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION WORKSHOP

## MINUTES

September 7th, 2021

**Board or Commission:** Environmental  
**Meeting:** Special  
**Quorum:** Yes

**Date:** September 7, 2021  
**Called to Order:** 7:03 p.m.  
**Adjourned:** 8:30 p.m.

### MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

|                     |              |         |
|---------------------|--------------|---------|
| Christie Truitt     | Chairman     | Present |
| Jeff D. Abeln       | Commissioner | Present |
| Jacquelyn Casazza   | Commissioner | Present |
| Karin Daly          | Commissioner | Present |
| Barbara Kwiatkowski | Commissioner | Present |
| David Meehan        | Commissioner | Absent  |
| Steve Swanson       | Commissioner | Present |
| Jennifer E. Umlauf  | Commissioner | Present |
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### Also Present:

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| Elijah Bebora      | Staff Intern    |  |
| Kelly Christiansen | Trustee Liaison |  |
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### I. CALL TO ORDER

The September 7, 2021 Environmental Commission Workshop was called to order by Chairman Truitt at 7:03 PM at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 306.

### II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

### III. DISCUSSION TOPICS – Chairman Truitt states the importance of tonight's meeting is to review our budget needs for next year as well as review the Comprehensive Plan and our core initiatives.

- A. *Review current EC initiatives and alignment to GRC2* – Chairman Truitt states there is an ongoing alignment from our 2018 initiatives to now. We decided on 4 focus areas in 2018.

Arts and Outreach  
Transportation, Health, Wellbeing  
Recycling  
Sustainable Landscaping

Chairman Truitt states in July 2021 we came up with the following initiatives.

Sustainable Communities – Arts Initiatives  
Sustainable Communities – Mobility  
Economic Development – Green Business  
Waste – Recycling and Composting  
Water – Water Treatment and Stormwater Management  
Land Use – Greenscaping/GE National Park  
Land Use – Stewardship of Trees

Chairman Truitt asks the EC if we still want to do all the items on the July 2021 list (see handout). Commissioner Abeln suggests moving the Water Treatment initiative to 2024-2026. Chairman Truitt adds if we could reduce the amount of water that is processed that may help. Perhaps we can promote more rain gardens. Commissioner Swanson states we can also reach out to Downers Grove to see what they did and the results they got from the rain gardens. The EC agrees to move the Water Treatment initiative to 2024-2026 and keep the balance of the initiatives as stated (see attached handout).

B. *Discuss integration with Comprehensive Plan and Streetscape Plan* – No Discussion

C. *Collaborate on EC budget proposal to Village Trustees* – Chairman Truitt states we have had a planned budget of \$5,000. If we would like to ask for additional funds we can discuss that tonight and can vote on our requested budget at our September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Commissioner Casazza asks if we could request more than the \$5,000. Trustee Christiansen adds we are always looking for ways to cut our budget. The EC will need to ask for what they want and justify it.

The EC discusses adding the following items to the budget request.

1. Residential Composting Kits – Commissioner Casazza states the cost is about \$10 a kit and it would be great to earmark 100 kits. This could be publicized through the Village, Realtors, and Newcomers Club.
2. Recognition Business Program – Commissioner Kwiatkowski suggests giving a financial grant as reward for small businesses that are recognized. Trustee Christiansen states you would need to set up criteria and find out who would do the nominations, reviews, and justification for the dollar amount.
3. Native Plant Sale (education also provided)
4. Oak trees and caring for them
5. Signage in Parks – Chairman Truitt states we would like to promote the GE brand and our parks with the use of signage.

Chairman Truitt thanks the EC for their collaboration tonight.

**IV. Next Meeting & Adjournment**

- A. The next EC meeting will be held on September 21, 2021.
- B. Commissioner Kwiatkowski motions and Commissioner Casazza seconds the motion to adjourn the workshop. The workshop was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

**Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary**

**Reviewed by Staff Liaison, Rodman**



**Glen Ellyn Environmental  
Commission**  
535 Duane Street  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Meeting 9/21/2021 7:00 PM  
Department: Administration  
Department Head:  
Category: Other  
Prepared By:

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-1455)**

**DOC ID: 2021-1455**

## **Sustainable Communities (Arts/Mobility)**

### **Statement of the Issue:**

### **Analysis:**

### **Budget Impact:**

### **Action Requested:**

### **Attachments:**



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Department Head:  
Category: Other  
Prepared By:

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-1456)**

**DOC ID: 2021-1456**

## **Economic Development/Green Business**

### **Statement of the Issue:**

### **Analysis:**

### **Budget Impact:**

### **Action Requested:**

### **Attachments:**



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Department Head:  
Category: Other  
Prepared By:

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-1457)**

**DOC ID: 2021-1457**

## **Recycling/Composting**

### **Statement of the Issue:**

### **Analysis:**

### **Budget Impact:**

### **Action Requested:**

### **Attachments:**



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Department Head:  
Category: Other  
Prepared By:

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-1458)**

**DOC ID: 2021-1458**

## **Water Treatment & Storm Water Management**

**Statement of the Issue:**

**Analysis:**

**Budget Impact:**

**Action Requested:**

**Attachments:**



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Meeting 9/21/2021 7:00 PM  
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Department Head:  
Category: Other  
Prepared By:

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-1459)**

**DOC ID: 2021-1459**

## **Land Use (Greenscaping/Trees)**

### **Statement of the Issue:**

### **Analysis:**

### **Budget Impact:**

### **Action Requested:**

### **Attachments:**