Agenda
Village of Glen Ellyn
Environmental Commission Meeting
Tuesday, October 18, 2022
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 306
535 Duane St.

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 Community Relations Commission, and shall refrain from abusive demeanor and language. Commissioners are not obligated to respond to questions. Any individual with a disability requiring reasonable accommodation in order to participate in a meeting should contact The Village of Glen Ellyn ADA Coordinator, 630-469-5000, in advance of the next scheduled meeting.

A. Call to Order

B. Public Participation

C. Minute Approval

1) September 20, 2022 Minutes Draft

D. Announcements

1) Guest: Commissioner Candidate

E. Liaison Reports

1) Liaison Reports

F. Old Business

1) Events Recap

G. New Business

1) New Business - See Agenda Item in Packet

H. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

1) Next meeting date November 15, 2022

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES

September 20, 2022

Board or Commission:	Environmental	**Date:**	September 20, 2022
Meeting:	Regular	**Called to Order:**	7:06 p.m.
Quorum:	Yes	**Adjourned:**	9:46 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Christie Truitt	Chairman	Present
Jeff D. Abeln	Commissioner	Absent
Jacquelyn Casazza	Commissioner	Present
Karin Daly	Commissioner	Present
Joe Gadomski	Commissioner	Present
Barbara Kwiatkowsky	Commissioner	Present
Steve Swanson	Commissioner	Present
Jennifer E. Umlauf	Commissioner	Absent
Ben English	Student Commissioner	Present
Also Present:		
John Hubsky	Assistant Public Works Director	
Elisa Pollina	Recording Secretary	
PUBLIC		
Adam Hoover	Community Solar	

I. CALL TO ORDER

The September 20, 2022 regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Truitt at 7:06 PM at Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Chairman Truitt welcomes new Commissioner Joe Gadomski to the EC. Gadomski states he is a chemist and an environmental engineer. He currently works at Superfund in procurement. He has an interest in native plants and is a proponent of rain barrels. The EC welcomes Commissioner Gadomski to the commission.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 16, 2022 MEETING –

1. Commissioner Swanson motions and Commissioner Daly seconds the motion to approve the minutes from August 16, 2022.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM 8/16/2022
RESULT: Motion unanimously carried
MOVER: Commissioner Swanson
SECONDER: Commissioner Daly
AYES: 7

V. PRESENTATIONS

1. Community Solar with Adam Hoover with NIMEC – Adam Hoover from NIMEC presents to the EC a new energy program that anyone in Illinois can take part in. NIMEC is a broker consultant that connects you with the supplier. We help with the process and resolution. This program does not require the use of solar panels on the home. The program would save residents up to 12-20% discount on energy bill and 20% off on the energy supply. Illinois's plan is to have 100% green energy by 2045. Today there are 8 suppliers offering the energy discount program. Two of the suppliers (MC Squared & Solstice) would like to send postcards with the Glen Ellyn logo out to residents at no charge to the village to advertise the opt-in program. Solstice is stating for those residents who sign up, they will give them $100 as well as give the village $100.

Chairman Truitt asks Hoover if the EC has to select a supplier. Hoover states no. Commissioner Kwiatkowsky asks what the waiting times are to join the program. Hoover states up to 6 months. Hoover adds Glen Ellyn would get final approval on the postcard content.

Chairman Truitt asks how you selected these two suppliers. Hoover adds these suppliers guarantee 20% off of the supply. Contracts are for 15 years but you can cancel anytime as long as you give them a 90 day notice, and there are no cancellation fees. Residents would receive 2 bills, one from the supplier and one from Com-Ed for the delivery. We believe a single bill is coming in the future.

Chairman Truitt adds if the EC were to promote a supplier it would be Solstice due to the $100 incentive.

John Hubsky adds next steps would be for the EC to discuss and advise the board. Hoover adds if you need to go before the board, we could go with you to answer any questions they may have. We could also help with an education piece for residents if needed.

Chairman Truitt asks the EC if they are in support of the opt-in Community Solar program. The EC discusses and are in support of the program as long as there is a

choice for residents and an education component to the program. Staff Liaison Hubsky states he will speak with Village Manager Franz on next steps.

2. Recycling Solution from Creative Outdoor – Lynn Terloga presents Creative Outdoor recycling solutions with the EC. She states our core philosophy is recycle bins need to contribute to the quality of life in the community. The recycling stations can be customized and the bins allow for sponsorship messages/advertising. The village has full control over the sponsorships and messages displayed on the stations. We give a percentage of the revenue back to the community. We distribute the stations, clean and maintain them and replace if damaged and do the pickup. All units are placed on municipal property and the cost is free to the village. We provide a comprehensive site report and the village rejects and approves each location. We do weekly audits of the units.

Commissioner Kwiatkowsky asks how much do the ads cost. Terloga states $70-120/month.

Commissioner Gadomski asks how many stations we would need to place. Terloga states 30. How often is pick up. Terloga states 1-2 times per week. The EC thanks Terloga for the presentation and will discuss and get back to Creative Outdoor.

The EC discusses the program and decide that the minimum requirement of 30 units is too large for the village.

VI. TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORT – No report

VII. STAFF LIAISON REPORT – Staff Liaison Hubsky reports the CBD Streetscape project is moving along. Spring concrete work will be completed by the end of the summer due to supply issues. We are currently looking to fill a civil engineer position in October. We are also looking for a new street superintendent. We are on our second round of interviews for this position. We hope to get this position filled before the winter. We are also working on budgets. The village and park district are partnering to turn the U.S. Bank site into a shared green space.

VIII. PARK DISTRICT LIAISON'S REPORT – Staff Liaison Hubsky reports the Park District's tree and plant sale sold 370 trees; pickup is Oct 1. The park district is looking for volunteers to help with this event. Student Commissioner English offers to volunteer and will see if any GBW students from the Eco club can volunteer.

IX. MEETING TOPICS

1. Dark Skies Ordinance Updates: Commissioner Swanson reviews the changes to the Dark Skies ordinance with the EC (see attached). Staff Liaison Hubsky states if the EC is in agreement with this ordinance, the next step would be to have a conversation with the Architectural Appearance Commission as well as the Community Development Commission to get their approval. Chairman Truitt asks the EC if they are in agreement with the revised ordinance as presented. The EC agrees.

2. Events: Chairman Truitt thanks Commissioner Casazza for her work on the library

event and Commissioner Daly for the flyer she created for the upcoming fall events. Chairman Truitt states on October 3 - 7:00-8:00 at the library there will be a meet the EC event. We will discuss our upcoming events and various initiatives (dark skies, tree canopy, stormwater management) and answer any questions residents may have. She asks the EC who will be in attendance. Commissioners Casazza, Daly, Godamski and Kwiatkowsky state they will be in attendance.
October 6 – Glen Ellyn bird walk at 8:30 am and Storytime with kids at the library.
October 7 – Fall color walk
October 8 – Oaktober Fest
All these events tie together Oaktober and the importance of trees.

Chairman Truitt states Stroll Glen Ellyn Living magazine will allow us to write an educational article for the publication at no charge to us. Truitt is working on a list of topics for the articles. The articles will need to be submitted by the first of the month. Truitt adds she will also be speaking with the Downtown Alliance this week to discuss how the EC can partner with them.

X. BUDGET REVIEW – Chairman Truitt states we have $650.00 left in our budget for the balance of the year. She asks the EC if they would like to use this money for the Oaktober event to purchase #6 aluminum cups.

Commissioner Swanson motions to use $650.00 of the EC budget toward the Oaktober event for cups, music and miscellaneous items. Commissioner Gadomski seconds the motion.

MOVE TO APPROVE $650.00 OF THE EC BUDGET TOWARD THE OAKTOBER EVENT FOR CUPS, MUSIC AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
RESULT: Motion unanimously carried
MOVER: Commissioner Swanson
SECONDER: Commissioner Gadomski
Roll Call Vote - Ayes: Truitt, Casazza, Daly, Godamski, Kwiatkowsky, Swanson, English

XI. Next Meeting & Adjournment

A. The next EC meeting – October 18, 2022.

B. Commissioner Swanson motions and Commissioner Kwiatkowsky seconds the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Staff Liaison, Hubsky

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

Meeting 10/18/2022 7:00 PM
Department: Public Works
Department Head:
Category: Report
Prepared By:

AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2022-2757) **DOC ID: 2022-2757**

Liaison Reports

Statement of the Issue:

- Trustee Liaison Report
- Park District Liaison Report
- Staff Liaison Report
    - NIMEC/Community Solar
    - Lead Water Services

Analysis:

Budget Impact:

Action Requested:

Attachments:

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AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2022-2756) **DOC ID: 2022-2756**

Events Recap

Statement of the Issue:

Analysis:

Budget Impact:

Action Requested:

Attachments:

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Meeting 10/18/2022 7:00 PM
Department: Public Works
Department Head:
Category: Discussion Item
Prepared By:

AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2022-2760)

DOC ID: 2022-2760

New Business - See Agenda Item in Packet

Statement of the Issue:

1. Policy, Ordinance, and Code Recommendations to the Village Board
2. Recycling Resources Initiatives
3. Online Resources Initiatives
    a. GEMS of Glen Ellyn
    b. Recycling Resources
    c. Nature Preserves
    d. "The Glennie" and Community Sustainability Awards
4. Events & Education Initiatives
    a. 2023 Events and EC Meeting Dates
    b. Marketing: November '22 to January '23
5. Budget Review: 2022 Actuals and 2023 Forecast

Analysis:

Budget Impact:

Action Requested:

Attachments: