

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 20, 2018

Board or Commission: Environmental
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Date: March 20, 2018
Called to Order: 7:32 p.m.
Adjourned: 8:48 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Adam S. Kreuzer	Chairman	Absent
Jeff D. Abeln	Commissioner	Present
Ed Crawford	Commissioner	Present
Adrienne Gregory	Commissioner	Absent
Michael Malone	Commissioner	Present
David T. Meehan	Commissioner	Present
Brook Ryan	Commissioner	Present
Jennifer E. Umlauf	Commissioner	Absent
John W. Zelasco	Commissioner	Present
Renae Frigo	Park District Liaison	Present

Also Present:

Peter Blatchford	Student Intern	Present
Bill Enright	Liaison Trustee	Present
Christiana Cabrera	Intern	Present

Public Present:

Henry Lewis	Glen Ellyn Resident hdlewis9846@yahoo.com	

I. CALL TO ORDER

The **March 20, 2018** regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order at **7:32 PM** at the Village of Glen Ellyn, Civic Center, 535 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois by Commissioner Meehan.

- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS** –Glen Ellyn resident Henry Lewis had questions for the EC board regarding composting after he attended the One Earth Film Festival regarding Food Waste.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 20, 2018 MEETING – Approved

MOVE TO APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FROM 2/20/2018, 7:36 PM

RESULT: Motion Unanimously Carried

MOVER: Commissioner Zelasco

SECONDER: Commissioner Malone

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. NEW BUSINESS - None

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Arts & Art Reach Subcommittee Report, Adrienne Gregory.

1. The Tube/Funding – Commissioner Meehan reports that a meeting is set to take place in April with the Chicago Public Arts Group to discuss funding avenues/options. The Tube Construction will start and finish in 2018.
2. One Earth Film Festival – Commissioner Meehan reports that the film festival went well and was an awakening to all who went with regard to food waste.
3. Mural Research- No report.
4. Dark Skies/Lights out Summer Initiative- No report.

B. Sustainable Landscaping Subcommittee Report – Jennifer Umlauf

1. Spring Newsletter – No report.
2. EC Webpage-No report
3. Month Videos/E-Blasts – No report
4. Tree Planning Initiative – Commissioner Ryan met with the Public Works department to discuss the tree planning initiative. PW felt the EC's role is to work with residents with regards to tree planting on their property and the Park District is responsible for trees in the parks. The Public Works department is responsible for tracking all street trees. Private land trees currently are not being accessed with regard to protecting the trees. Commissioner Ryan adds that more discussion and opportunities are going to take place for this initiative. She will revisit the tree strategy and vision for the EC at the next meeting.

C. Health, Wellness, Transportation Subcommittee Report – John Zelasco

1. Zagstar –Staff Liaison Cabrera reports we are still talking with Warrenville and Winfield to get them solidly in this program. Northwestern Medicine would like this to be a county wide effort.
2. Habitat Restore Recycling – Staff Liaison Cabrera reports that the pamphlet has been put together. It is currently being reviewed and will be put into the demolition packets once approved.
3. Coal Tar Resolution- Commissioner Zelasco reports that he is meeting with Bill Holmer tomorrow and will have an update next month.
4. Mooring Resolution – Staff Liaison Cabrera reports that signs and designs have been approved and we are moving forward on this. The signs will be placed at the entrances west and east of the Prairie Path.
5. Recycling Extravaganza – Commissioner Zelasco reports that flyers have been put up around town for this event (see attached flyer). All vendors have been confirmed. Commissioner Zelasco presented a power point presentation to the EC board on the Recycling Extravaganza. He is continually spreading the word on this event and asks the EC board to do the same. Staff Liaison Cabrera has coordinated the various other departments that take part in this event. The EC board will also be volunteering at the event.

D. Energy Sustainability/Recycle Subcommittee Report, Jeff Abeln

1. 2018 Cool DuPage Initiative: Commissioner Abeln reports that he will be having a meeting with Cool DuPage to see if we can make the Civic Center more energy efficient. Com-Ed will also do an audit to assist with that.
2. Solar Initiative – Commissioner Abeln reports that the Future Energy Jobs Act will kick in for this initiative. We are also looking for College of DuPage to take part in this initiative. This will be on the new business agenda for next month.

VII. Trustee Liaison Report – Trustee Enright reports that the board passed an increase in sales tax from 1% to 1-1/4%. This is to help offset the lost money from the state and our budget shortfall. We still have projects that need funding. The board is looking for grants to help fund some of these projects. Also the board is moving forward with Public Works updating the water meters. The new meters will notify the village if a resident has a potential water leak.

VIII. Staff Liaison's Report – Staff Liaison Cabrera reports that the subcommittee agendas have been put on line and will no longer go under the EC. Agendas must be turned in 1 week prior to the subcommittee meeting. Cabrera also informed the EC that she found out that her fellowship will be in Indiana. She will be moving there in May. She will be at one more EC meeting.

IX. Park District Liaison Report – Renae Frigo

- A. Earth Day – Park District Liaison Frigo asks the EC board to join in at the boat house for this event. She asks everyone to spread the word about this event.
- B. River Sweep –April 19th is when the official proclamation will take place.

X. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

- A. The next EC meeting will be held on April 17, 2018.
- B. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Staff Liaison, Cabrera