
Special Meeting - Environmental Improvement Commission
2017 Climate Action Plan
January 16, 2017, 6:00 PM
Westmont Public Library, 428 N Cass Ave, Westmont, IL 60559

Meeting Minutes – Final

1. Call To Order at 6:07 pm
2. Roll Call
In attendance: Glenn Gabryel, Tyler Tieche and Bob Van Hyfte. Absent: Mary Gabryel, Kate Johnson, Erin Kennedy Kim Lombardozi, Mary McAuliffe, and Brittany Smith. Staff in attendance: None.
3. Discussion of Current Action Plans and Assignments
 - Bob Van Hyfte commented about the central business district recycling program and the practical problems of segregating recyclables from trash. Glenn Gabryel reported on the Downers Grove experience. Bob suggested that the Red, White & Blue event might be a launch opportunity. The Lions Club handles that event, not the Village. Bob will contact Trustee Addington about possibilities.
 - Recapped the previously compiled 2016 data and information that is now available. Very limited action has been done since the last meeting in Q3 '16.
 - The group discussed the overall objective of the CAP. Glenn suggested that given the time slip on the deliverable to the Village Board, it might be indicated for the 2017 version to mainly be a recap / refresh and not look to introduce new initiatives, certainly not based on 'enforceable' parameters. Also that some of the elements like Solid Waste, only have a peripheral effect on climate.
 - Tyler agreed that all our recommendations would not necessarily result in a net reduction in GHG and suggested that we model after the Cool Cities targets to determine applicable Village goals and what is even feasible at the residential level. That is, what can we control / directly influence or not.
 - The group reviewed the difference between subjective goals and concrete measureable ones. Everyone agreed on avoiding lofty aspirations in our CAP.
 - **Action Item - Everyone will revisit their respective areas and at minimum rough out drafts for committee review at the next meeting**
4. Next planned meeting
Monday, February 13
Future meeting dates: 3/13; 4/10; 5/8; 6/12.
5. Adjourn at 7:07