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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Meeting - Environmental Improvement Committee
Westmont Village Hall - 31 W. Quincy St.
February 7, 2022, 5:30 PM**

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call To Order

Barker called the meeting to order at 5:31pm.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members: Bruce Barker, Glenn Gabryel, Gerry Richter, Carol Johnson, Christa Stanulis, Brittany Smith

Staff Members: Steve May, Larry McIntyre, and Zack Chorney

Public: Marybeth Carlson, Josh Graham, and Maris Graham

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comment

None

5. Consent Agenda

a. Regular meeting minutes 11/01/2021

b. Regular meeting minutes 12/06/2021

Motion: Stanulis motioned to approve the meeting minutes, Gabryel seconded

Vote: All in favor, motion passed

6. Reports

a. Chair Report

Barker announced the new staff liaison for EIC, Larry McIntyre. He additionally announced Zack Chorney will be representing Public Works. Barker asked the group if

they wanted to participate in the river sweep this year. The committee agreed and the next steps are to sign up and choose a location. Barker shared information on a statewide ban on poly-steryne in Illinois that the group has been asked to support. Barker will share the information via email to discuss at the March meeting and suggests inviting Mike Brink from Waste Management to a future meeting. The Conservation Foundation sent out information about their rain barrel program and Barker shared that the Village has found out that the program is more successful when the Village subsidized the barrels. McIntyre will do research on resources for setting up the barrels for residents. Westmont has been invited to Senator Casten's round table on February 14th and Stanulis and Yeater will be representing the village.

b. Staff Report

McIntyre shared the EIC/communication report with the committee. The Mayor was contacted about monarch way stations and is working with Yeater. The Mayor is now on the board of the DuPage Monarch Project.

c. Recap on MMC 12/14 : Regional Transit Planning

Gabryel recapped the meeting.

d. Recap on MMC 1/18 : Climate and Equitable jobs Act (CEJA) and Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

Gabryel recapped the meeting.

e. Lighting/Dark Skies Ordinance

No updates at this time.

f. Community Solar

McIntyre went through the SolSmart checklist for bronze status and the village has achieved all of the points. Once the paperwork is finished, it will be official.

g. Green Page Updates

Feedback from the committee was used for updates on the page. Any future updates please let McIntyre know.

h. No Mow Initiative Dates

The village supported the No Mow Initiative for this year. The recommendation is to have 300 signs available (we currently have 60 signs at public works). 50 people have signed up so far this year, with 17 new participants. The group agreed to order 300.

i. Richmond Education Gardens

Manager May shared that after a meeting with Clarendon Hills, Westmont can take the lead on programming. The group needs to think about if they want to move forward with a ribbon cutting ceremony and how the group would execute that. The idea of doing an Earth Day celebration was introduced and the idea of getting a tour of the gardens so that the group can better understand the educational opportunities.

7. Old Business

- a. None

8. New Business

- a. EIC 2020 Annual Report

The group will present this on April 7th at the administration and finance meeting.

- b. Eagle Scout Project Proposal

Josh Graham presented his proposal for his Eagle Scouts Project on plastics management. The committee agreed to support this proposal.

- c. FY23 Budget Requests

Barker suggested submitting the same numbers as last year.

- d. DuPage County Document Shredding Funding Program

The committee agreed to not do the program so that it does not affect the police fundraising event.

- e. 2022 Rain Barrel Program

This was discussed earlier and McIntyre will do some research. He is also interested in investigating an option to create a subsidy for the program to assist with installation costs.

- f. 2022 Electronics Recycling Program

This program has the ability to return to Westmont, and the group discussed they feel this is an important program for the community. McIntyre will reach out to get more information and find out the possibilities to bring the program back.

9. Misc.

The next MMC meeting is about smart salting.

10. Adjourn

Motion: Smith motioned to adjourn, Stanulis seconded.

Vote: Vote: all in favor, motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.