

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Meeting - Environmental Improvement Committee

September 14, 2020, 6:00 PM

Westmont Village Hall, Second Floor, 31 W Quincy Street, Westmont, IL 60559

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#### MEETING MINUTES

**1. Call To Order**

Barker called the meeting to order at 6:11pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Committee Members: Brittany Smith, Glenn Gabryel, Geri Richter, Carol Johnson, Christa Stanlis, and chair Bruce Barker

Staff in attendance: Jon Yeater

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Public Comment**

**5. Consent Agenda**

- a. Regular meeting minutes 8/3/2020

**Motion:** Gabriel motioned to approve the meeting minutes, Richter seconded

**Vote:** All in favor, motion passed

**6. Reports**

- a. Bertold Kraessig, PhD- State of the Solar Industry and It's Economics

Dr. Kraessig presented on solar power, the facts and actions taken in Illinois.

- b. Chair Report

Barker brought the dark skies initiative back up with the village about parking lot lighting and new projects. The details are being talked about on the village level when it comes to brightness, color, and direction of lights in parking lots and on sides of buildings.

## **7. Old Business**

### **a. Solar Investment Tax Credit**

Gabriel reported that this is still tied up in legislation.

### **b. Lighting/Dark Skies Ordinance**

Barker shared in his report. If we present our report to the village board, he recommends we also use that time to bring that information to board members.

### **c. Fire Dept. Solar Ordinance Proposal**

The ordinance was shared with Dr. Kraessig and he gave us his feedback and that was discussed. The committee has asked Yeater to ask the Fire Department for clarification on who is to provide a certain piece of information and certification.

### **d. Monarch Fest 2020**

The library has a separate page for the 2020 Monarch Festival:

<http://westmontlibrary.org/events-and-news/monarchfest/> where you can find all the information on programs and activities.

### **e. 'No Mow' Initiative**

Yeater reached out to Appleton, WI to get more information. Yeater will send an email with the updates that he received.

### **f. WasteZero Textile Recycling Program**

Yeater recapped the information and wanted to see if the group wanted to pursue this program.

### **g. EIC Annual Report**

Gabriel asked the group to send him any updates or changes on this.

## **8. New Business**

### **a. GRC2 Framework**

Gabriel was checking to see where we were on this. With the current times, we do not believe this will move along for a bit of time. We are going to table this until next year.

### **b. Adopt-a-Planter Program**

This program was a success and many of the planters are still going strong! The estimate to bring it back next year with more planters is around \$5000.

## **9. Misc.**

Yeater shared that on October 17th 9am-1pm Westmont PD will be doing a no contact Shred event at the Police Department. Stanulis brought up starting the conversation with Manager May about resetting up the composting program for next spring.

#### **10. Adjourn**

**Motion:** Stanulis motioned to adjourn, Richter seconded.

**Vote:** Vote: all in favor, motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.