

VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE

SUSTAIN LIBERTYVILLE COMMISSION

January 15, 2020
Village Hall Board Conference Room
118 W. Cook Avenue
4:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1) Approval of Minutes – November 20, 2019 Meeting
- 2) Village Views Article Suggestions
- 3) Discuss Preparing for Green Electrical Supply Option
- 4) Discuss Potential Sign Options for Native Garden
- 5) Other Items/Updates
- 6) Adjourn

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Minutes
Wednesday, November 20, 2019

A meeting of the Sustain Libertyville Commission was held on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Libertyville Village Hall. Those in attendance included the following Commission members: Chairperson Doug Reed, Cathy O'Brien, Dave Wilms, Dave Neu, Carol Cooper and Jeanine Chyna. Also in attendance were Management Analyst Patrick Hastings, State Representative Mary Edly-Allen, County Board Member Jennifer Clark, Pete Adrian from SWALCO and Ivy Klee-SWALCO's Greenest Region Corp member.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 16, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

Pumpkin Composting Collection Results

Dave Wilms stated that the event was a huge success and had a much larger turn out than expected. The event resulted in a full 20 cubic yard dumpster. Discussion ensued around planning for next year. Jeanine Chyna stated that planning should start earlier in the year and possibly get two dumpsters for the event.

Mr. Wilms stated that the signs promoting the event were good but that the signs at the entrance of Adler Park could be larger for next year in an effort to capture more people's attention traveling Milwaukee.

Pete Adrian presented the Commission with a pumpkin composting trophy due to the success of the event with such a quick planning timeline.

Discuss Openlands November 20th Meeting

Doug Reed, Dave Neu and Patrick Hastings attended an Openlands meeting on behalf of the Village. Other Villages in attendance included Lincolnshire, Mettawa, and Riverwoods. The topic centered on the promotion of the Conservation @ Home program offered by Openlands and the different activities that surrounding communities are involved in relating to the environment. It was a chance to hear what works in each of the communities and gather tips to take back to each Village's operations.

Mr. Reed stated that an interesting topic included the importance of Oak trees and that in order for more Oaks to grow properly in forested areas, other trees are needed to be removed. Cathy O'Brien asked why Oak trees are singled out as being so important to this area. Mr. Neu stated that Oaks are native to this area and support many types of insects which in turn are food for birds.

Discuss Educational Articles for Future Newsletters

Doug Reed introduced the topic for discussion. Patrick Hastings distributed a timeline of when articles pertaining to each of the four Village Views newsletter publications need to be turned in. The Commission discussed various articles ranging from buckthorn removal, recycling and energy topics. The Commission will review and make suggestions of topics to include for each of the deadlines at future meetings.

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Commercial Compost Initiative Update

Pete Adrian and Patrick Hastings gave a brief update on the status of the commercial composting program. Since the last Sustain meeting both The Green Room and O'Toole's began the composting process. The Green Room has one sixty gallon container and O'Toole's has two sixty gallon containers. The main point of concern with the containers at this time is the possibility of contamination, such as non-organic materials being dumped in the compost bin because the bins are located in a shared dumpster enclosure. Mr. Adrian stated that he would be working on providing better labeling for the containers.

Other Items/Updates

Pete Adrian informed the Commission about some of the current difficulties in the recycling market and the need to steer manufacturing away from using new plastic material rather than utilizing recycled plastics. That would kick start the demand for recyclables in an attempt to bolster the market. State Rep. Mary Edly-Allen stated that a bottle bill would possibly be a good solution to this issue.

County Board Rep Jennifer Clark and Pete Adrian mentioned that Lake County, SWALCO, and the State were teaming up to host a holiday light recycling event in Mundelein over the holiday season. Mr. Adrian stated that the lights are recycled by being stripped down for the copper wiring contained in the light strings.

Dave Wilms discussed the potential for installing a solar PV system at the waste water treatment plant and costs that he has been seeing with the solar market. Patrick Hastings stated that the Village was a part of a joint bid to procure solar PV systems. Dave Wilms suggested that with the timing of the incentive programs, the Village should decide soon whether or not to pursue solar.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for 4 PM on Wednesday, January 15, 2019. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patrick Hastings
Management Analyst

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AGENDA REPORT

2. Village Views Article Suggestions

The Commission may discuss and plan for what articles they desire to see published in future Village Views newsletters. The attached table can start to be filled out based on what articles to publish and at what times of the year.

3. Discuss Preparing for Green Electrical Supply Option

The Commission desires to discuss options for notifying the public about the upcoming electrical aggregation possibilities. The current possibilities include posting articles on the website, articles in the Village Views newsletter, and providing information on aggregation at the Green Living Fair.

4. Discuss Potential Sign Options for Native Garden

A possible sign option (attached) was presented at a previous meeting to obtain feedback from the Commission. Discussing desired sign options now would allow time for signs to be created in time for spring bloom.

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Educational Articles for 2020 Village Views Newsletters

Publication	Article Due Date	Topic	Author
Spring	February 28 th		
Summer	April 3 rd		
Fall	August 1 st		
Winter	September 18 th		

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NATIVE PLANT GARDEN

Native plantings have a multitude of benefits including:

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For more information on the individual plants from this garden and how to incorporate them into your landscaping, please use your smart phone to follow the link in the QR code below.

