

VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE
SUSTAIN LIBERTYVILLE COMMISSION

August 21, 2019
Village Hall Board Room
118 W. Cook Avenue
4:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1) Approval of Minutes - July 17, 2019 Meeting
- 2) Electrical Aggregation - August 13th Meeting Feedback
- 3) Commercial Recycling Project - Updated Service Matrix
- 4) Commercial Compost Initiative Status
- 5) Other Items/Updates
- 6) Adjourn

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Minutes
Wednesday, July 17, 2019

A meeting of the Sustain Libertyville Commission was held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Libertyville Village Hall. Those in attendance included the following Commission members: Chairperson Doug Reed, Carol Cooper, Dave Wilms, Cathy O'Brien and Jeanine Chyna. Also in attendance were Trustee Pat Carey, Deputy Village Administrator Ashley Engelmann, Audubon Society Member Chris Geiselhart and Village residents Katie and George Aynilian.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June 19, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

Electrical Aggregation Renewable Energy Options

Ashley Engelmann provided an update to the Commission regarding a recent meeting with NIMEC, the electric aggregation cooperative that the Village participates in. Ms. Engelmann stated that she and the Village Administrator recently met with a representative from NIMEC, Mr. David Hoover who informed them that the current rates that are being seen for aggregation are not lower than what ComEd's current rate to compare is. He is seeing this as a trend and expects it will continue. He provided the Village with an option which could result in an alternative supplier that would match ComEd's rate but would supply clean energy renewable energy certificates. They would also guarantee a match with ComEd's rate. Mr. Hoover noted that this could be an option for the Village to begin to pursue next spring but that he would also recommend conducting a traditional bid process to evaluate if savings over ComEd's rate could be achieved. Ms. Engelmann reported that a meeting is being set up between the Mayor, Dave Wilms, Doug Reed and Patrick Hastings to discuss this option further. Ms. Engelmann also noted that Mr. Hoover indicated that he would be happy to attend a meeting of the Sustainably Commission in the future to discuss the program. The Commission agreed that a presentation by Mr. Hoover would be a good idea.

Native Plant Garden Signage

Ms. Engelmann shared an update from Patrick Hastings on the matter. The Village's new sign machine should be capable of creating a sign as requested and with a QR code. Space is limited on the sign therefore the QR code can be used to provide further information. An alternative option was identified but would require a paint marker to hand write names on blank signs. The Commission agreed that the QR code would be important to include. A question was raised as to whether the QR code could be bilingual. It was determined that Jeanine Chyna and Dave Neu should work together on the signage given their expertise, however the group agreed that the signage should probably not be fabricated until the garden has a chance to take root to ensure that the plants survive. Doug Reed also noted that weeding and watering need to continue to occur and that a schedule needs to be developed to ensure that it is being completed regularly.

Commercial Recycling Project Update

Doug Reed reported that a copy of the updated service matrix from Groot was just received. He acknowledged Kelly Amidei's assistance in getting the information from Groot. Doug plans to review the document and share it with the group. Carol Cooper noted that she has requested that Groot send out email reminders regarding what items are allowable for recycling. Information was also shared regarding ComEd's dehumidifier recycling program.

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Other Items/Updates

Doug Reed reported that as the result of Gurnee Mayor Kovarik, Waukegan Mayor Cunningham and the Lake County Board initiative to sponsor air quality testing at the Medline and Vanguard Specialty Chemicals facilities, Medline has now agreed to install an EtO scrubbing system and operate their entire sterilization operation under negative pressure, thereby reducing total EtO discharge to less than 150 pounds per year, down from 3058 pounds in 2014.

Chairman Reed requested that an updated Sustain Libertyville Commission Contact List be provided to Commission members, which will be treated as confidential information.

The Open Meetings Act was discussed along with the importance of ensuring that no Commission business is discussed via emails to the group as a whole. It was also reported that if a member has not taken the Open Meetings Act training online and submitted their certificate to Kelly Bliefertich they need to do so.

Cathy O'Brien provided a summary of recent Go Green Lake County meetings where the Sierra Club and Greenest Region Compact were discussed.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for 4 PM on Wednesday, August 21, 2019. The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Engelmann
Deputy Village Administrator

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AGENDA REPORT

2. Electrical Aggregation – August 13th Meeting Feedback

A meeting was held with Mayor Wepler, Commission Member Dave Wilms, Ashley Engelmann, and Patrick Hastings to discuss a desired route to pursue for future electrical aggregation. Current industry trends and possibilities in structuring electrical aggregation going forward were discussed. Dave Wilms and staff may provide an update to the Commission on what was discussed.

3. Commercial Recycling Project – Updated Service Matrix

An updated service matrix was received by Groot. The Commission desires to discuss the information provided from the service matrix and what the next steps in carrying out the commercial recycling project shall be.

4. Commercial Compost Initiative Status

Three downtown businesses have had their compost kickoff meetings and were supplied with information on taking the next step. Staff will provide an update on the status, challenges, and steps moving forward in carrying out the pilot composting program.