



Village of Antioch - Environmental Commission

Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2013

1. Call to Order: The Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Mike Babicz at 6:37 pm in the Board Room at Antioch Village Hall: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

Present : Chairman Mike Babicz, Amanda LeBrun, Melonnie Hartl, Meredith Schnelle, Cynthia Stepanek, Casey Furlong, Peter Grant arrived at 5:43pm

Absent: Scott Frillman, Amy Bell

2. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting from February 25, 2013 by Meredith, 2nd by Amanda. Voice vote – all aye.

3. Committee Reports

- a. **Alternative Energy**

Cynthia brought in information about a grant for the village to consider.

- b. **Conservation**

No report.

- c. **Education**

Mel gave an update on the community garden.

Mike shared that Mitch Valentine has been given the opportunity to use the land at the Bitner property to organic farm and try to get the schools involved. There was concern expressed about the organic farm not being affiliated with the EC or any other group.

- d. **Green Building**

Casey will look into setting up a tour of the wastewater treatment plant for our June meeting.

- e. **Communication**

No report.

- f. **Earth Day EcoFair**

- Meredith - Earth Day_EcoFair – Date: Saturday, April 27th at AES. The ACHS Earth Day event will be Friday, April 26th. The Environmental Commission will have a table there. We will try to share vendors.
- Mike – Cartridge World – cannot make it. Wilmot Raceway – has contacted them about tickets to be used for prizes. Mike Culot was contacted about the food through the

Veteran's Family Assistance. Mike will contact Mitch about providing organic food for the event. Mike will suggest that he call Mike Culot to work that out.

- The village is handling the electronic recycling truck paperwork. The paper shredding is \$400 – too much for us. Meredith will contact the village to see if they could block off the street for the hours of the Ecofair so the electronics truck could park there to receive the items.
- Mel will contact Waste Management to see if they want to supply a truck for promotion/hand out flyers.
- Vermicomposting – Meredith will try to get in contact with the people from last year.
- Meredith will contact the high school to seek out students to volunteer for the electronics truck
- Amanda – contacted Conserve Lake County, but has not heard back. Also contacted LC Forest Preserve but also needs to hear back. She has contacted schools, but has not heard back anything to confirm. She will send out more emails next week when school gets back in session.
- Master Gardeners will have a table but needs volunteers. Meredith may be helping with that booth.
- Serpent Safari – Meredith will call them.
- Cynthia has contacted Water Tower, Ad Lib, and other possible vendors. She will contact 102.3 WXLC radio station to do a promotional spot.
- Amanda will check to see if the school will put it on their sign.
- Mike – try to get the EC on the Village Board agenda for April 15th.
- Media / Promotion - Mel will contact Diana Kuyper and other newspapers to put info in BEFORE the event and follow up too.

4. Old Business:

Motion to Adjourn: Meredith. 2nd by Cynthia. Voice vote – all aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Next Meeting – Monday, April 22, 2013 at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by Secretary Melonnie Hartl