



Village of Antioch - Environmental Commission

Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2017

1. Call to Order: The Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Melonnie Hartl at 6:32 pm in the Board Room at Antioch Village Hall: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

Present: Chairman Melonnie Hartl, Amanda LeBrun, Peter Grant, Scott Frillman, Mike Babicz, and Alternate Melissa Marra Absent: Trustee Ed Macek

2. A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes from the November 28, 2016 meeting by Peter, 2nd by Mike. Voice vote – all AYE.
3. Project Reports
 - a. **Community Garden** – Mel went to a seed swap at the Chicago Botanic Garden and got seeds that the gardeners could use (veggies, flowers, grasses). She said they would need to be started soon. She said she will let the gardeners know via email that she has them and can be picked up. Mel also mentioned that the village never responded about plowing the garden under or tilling it. She was going to call Collette & Ano about using their equipment if village doesn't respond. Would need to get truckloads of compost/soil. May need to be purchased. It was mentioned that Sunflower Farms has free manure. The Olsens Landscaping business might also be able to till.
 - b. **Earth Day EcoFair** – Mike looked into EcoFair at St. Peter's school. We would not be able to do it Easter weekend. Mike said he could call about a different weekend. Could use the gym and probably also classrooms. Discussed the possibility of still combining with Lindenhurst event. Mel will contact them to see what they say and how we may play a part. Mike mentioned that if we did this we could maybe alternate locations each year. It might be good to see the behind the scenes preparation that they do and how it's organized. If we combine, we may have some additional vendors we could bring and also do the recycled art contest. Towards the end we discussed having the EcoFair at the Antioch Township Hall. Peter will look into reserving 3 dates in April (the 15th, 22nd, and 29th).
4. Old Business
 - a. **SWALCO Proposal** – Merleanne sent an email but not sure if signs have been laminated or who's been put in charge of pairing up shoes. Bins have been placed at the Parks and Rec office. Need to call or email Shawn for an update.
5. New Business
 - a. As stated in the updated EC ordinance, a new chairperson must be decided upon and submitted to the mayor for approval by April. Peter motioned to nominate Mike for the position. 2nd by Amanda. Voice vote – all AYE.

Motion to Adjourn by Amanda, 2nd by Mike. Voice vote – all aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm. Next Meeting –

Monday, February 27, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by secretary Amanda LeBrun