

Village of Antioch - Environmental Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2017

1. Call to Order: The Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairman Mike Babicz at 6:36 pm in the Board Room at Antioch Village Hall: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

Present: Chairman Mike Babicz, Melonnie Hartl, Peter Grant, Trustee Jay Jozwiak

Absent: Scott Frillman, Alternate Melissa Marra

2. A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes from the June 28, 2017 meeting by Peter, 2nd by Mel. Voice vote – all AYE.

3. Project Reports

a. Community Garden – Mel gave an update on the garden. The 4 new signs look great and have been put up around the garden. The village will be buying a shed for the garden and it will be installed soon.
 Soil and wood chips have been delivered. All wood chips are used up and more have been requested.
 A wheel barrow will be purchased also as soon as the shed is up.

Plants are being donated from Prairie Crossing Farms to use in the garden.

Weeds are still an issue, but moving and weed trimming are helping.

Gleaning will start since squash and lettuce are ready. The Antioch Junior Women's club will take the 1st harvest to Open Arms tomorrow. A suggestion was made to put up a flyer at Open Arms next season to encourage the participants to get a plot.

b. Earth Day EcoFair - April 28th - Saturday. Peter will reserve the Township building for this date.

4. Old Business

Watering of the trees in the village is done by the public works guys. Jay talked to Grayslake about the electronics recycling.

5. New Business

- Mike, Jay and the mayor met with Anna Anderson. She will be approved and sworn in at the August 14th Village Board meeting. We are still looking for another alternate. Lori has put a notice on the village website for any interested people.
- Mike is interested in finding out more about how Grayslake created the program for restaurants to recycle food.

Is it mandatory? How was the ordinance written?

Jay will try to see which restaurants in Antioch are doing food recycling.

• Mike suggested that we contact Barbara Porch to try to work more with the Chamber. Perhaps she would like to come to a meeting to discuss how to work together.

Motion to Adjourn by Peter, 2nd by Mel. Voice vote – all aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Next Meeting - Monday, August 28, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by secretary Melonnie Hartl