

Village of La Grange Park  
**Cool Village Commission – Minutes**  
Thursday, April 21, 2011

The meeting of the La Grange Park Cool Village Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Village Hall, 447 North Catherine Avenue, La Grange Park, Illinois.

1. Call To Order

Commission Chair Patty Rocco called the meeting to order. Members present included: Patty Rocco, John Aikens, Krista Grimm, Ed Kram, and Donna Twickler. Absent were David Mrazek and Jamie Zaura. Also present was Julia Cedillo, Village Staff Liaison.

2. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kram made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Twickler seconded and the motion passed.

3. Drug Collection – April 30

The group discussed how the event had been promoted to the community to date. Ms. Rocco explained that she had not yet reached out to retirement or senior communities. Ms. Cedillo noted that she would send the flyer out to Plymouth Place and Bethlehem Woods through her contacts.

The group agreed that an information table would be a good addition for the event. The group could track participation of the event while disseminating CVC information. Ms. Twickler noted she could work the afternoon shift; Ms. Rocco noted she could work the morning shift while Mr. Aikens and Ms. Grimm would let Ms. Cedillo know at a later date. Ms. Grimm agreed to make an informational flyer titled, “How you have made a difference today.”

4. CVC Chair Replacement

There was some discussion that a new chair replacement was necessary due to Patty Rocco’s recent election to the Village Board. Ms. Rocco noted that she believed Ms. Grimm to be an excellent choice as Chairperson. The group agreed. Mr. Kram made a motion to that effect to which Mr. Aikens seconded and the motion passed.

5. Com Ed Portfolio Manager

Ms. Twickler distributed the findings of this report. She noted that there was not enough data to rate the water facility. The Village Hall reached a ranking of 68. Ms. Twickler noted that this was not a bad score as 75 was the threshold for being really good, or energy efficient.

There was a long discussion about ways to strive for greater energy efficiency at the Village Hall so that this rated number could increase. Ms. Cedillo noted that an energy audit was recently conducted at Village Hall for light fixture retrofits. While the lighting fixtures would all be covered under a grant, the installation of such would not, and the cost for the entire retrofit project would be from \$5,000 to \$7,000, which was not in the Village’s budget and the Village could not afford at this time. There was some discussion about how money could be raised to pay for this effort so that the Village did not have to pay for the costs. There was some discussion about public and private partnerships where the project could be sponsored. Ms.

Cedillo suggested that the Village contact foundations so see if they would be willing to pay the cost, or the remaining portion of the retrofit grant.

6. Phase One ICLEI Reports

On the Community Wide Inventory, there was some discussion on whether the language suggestions are worded properly. Several changes were made by the group specific to the causal effect of gases to global warming. Other language changes were made, as well. The group noted to make sure all fonts were the same and consistent with regard to size. The Government Operations report was tabled due to time constraints.

7. Percent Target Reduction

This was tabled due to time constraints. It was noted that Jamie Zaura did provide feedback on this which would be forwarded to the group.

8. Sustainability Plan

This was tabled due to time constraints.

9. Promoting Purchase of Green Energy in E-Briefs

A piece would be put together for distribution at the Drug Take Back. Ms. Cedillo would email the logo for this piece. The final piece would be available to use to in Village communication pieces.

10. CVC Timeline Update

Mr. Aikens would provide this data to Ms. Cedillo for the report, as an attachment.

11. Quarterly Report

It was noted that the new CVC Chairperson Krista Grimm would present this report to the Village Board at the May 24<sup>th</sup> Village Board Meeting.

12. Announcements

Ms. Rocco thanks the group for all their hard work. As this was her last meeting, she shared words of appreciation to all. She let everyone know that she is available if needed for any reason.

13. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m. The next meetings will take place on May 19<sup>th</sup> and on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager