

Village of La Grange Park
Sustainability Commission – Minutes
Monday, June 29, 2015

The meeting of the La Grange Park Sustainability Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, June 29, 2015 at the La Grange Park Public Library.

1. Call to Order

2. Commission Chair Krista Grimm called the meeting to order. Members present included: Ann Wiegand, Jill Madison, John Buzzelli, Donna Twickler and David Mrzek. Also present was Becky Srejma, Village Staff Liaison.

3. Public Comment

No member of the public was present to speak.

4. New Business - None

5. Old Business

- a. Composting Article – There was a discussion whether the article would be included in the upcoming Rose Clippings; Becky said she would check with Assistant Village Manager, Emily Rodman. It was agreed that the article should get posted on the Village website and sent out in an upcoming E-Brief, and included in the Rose Clippings if possible.
- b. Green Spotlight Program – Jill explained that she had spoken to a person who could make a stepping stone. There was a discussion about what should go on the stepping stone and whether it could reflect any of the ideas/design of the traveling sign. Ann said that she had the last design for the traveling sign, and she would email it to everyone. Jill indicated that she would try and work up some ideas from this design to give to the person who could make the stone person. Becky confirmed that the article about the program was placed on the Village’s website and also in the last E-Brief. The committee agreed that the program information needed to also get posted on the Facebook page.
- c. Five Questions for Survey Monkey – David, John and Ann shared questions which they had put together for the survey. There was a discussion about beginning the survey with basic questions, and then funneling down to more individual areas/programs, with the survey being more of a matrix of questions. It was agreed that the survey should be limited in size. David volunteered to compile all the questions, and stated that he would contact Josh Samos to get more information about using Survey Monkey (any fees, limit in survey size). The goal is to send this out through the Village’s weekly E-Briefs with a link to Survey Monkey.
- d. Facebook – The number of followers had increased to 167. There was a discussion about the La Grange Park Illinois Connections Facebook, and how it could be used to connect people to the Sustainability Commissions’ facebook page.

It was agreed that the video that David had previously sent to the Committee, which had been produced by the Conservation Foundation in DuPage County, should be put on the Facebook page.

Ideas for future posts were discussed. Jill discussed some articles which she had received which she felt would be beneficial to others. The Committee agreed that it would be a good idea to post educational articles which could help (and educate) people.

6. Open Discussion – There was a discussion about upcoming recycling events. It was agreed that it would be beneficial to have a hazardous waste collection day; Krista indicated that she would complete the application to the State to host this event, however the application could take some time to receive approval.

Update Greenhouse Gas Emissions – It was agreed that the Village’s carbon footprint should be updated. Donna and Becky will be meeting in the upcoming weeks to update the necessary data from ComEd and NICOR.

7. Next Steps – Follow up items were recapped.

8. Next Meeting Date - Monday, July 27, 2015.

9. Adjournment – There was a motion by Jill Madison and second by D to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.