

**Village of La Grange Park
Sustainability Commission – Minutes
Monday, May 2, 2022**

The La Grange Park Sustainability Commission meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm on Monday, May 2, 2022.

1. Commission Chair Twickler called the meeting to order. Members include:

Donna Twickler, Commission Chair	Present	Laura McAllister	Present
Krista Grimm, Commissioner	Present	Kelly Burns	Present
David Mrazek, Commissioner	Present	Kathy Johnson	Present

Also present was Public Works Foreman John Jandak, serving as Village Staff Liaison.

2. Public Comment

- No Public Comment

3. Approval of Minutes –April 4, 2022 minutes were presented. Commissioner Mrazek made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

4. New Business

- Discussion initiated by Commissioner Twickler for possible mediation for the removal of trees on new construction and development. These areas would be private property which will pose obstacle to achieve the goal of mediation and preservation.

5. Old Business-

- Tree of the month was agreed to be spring ephemerals in the forest preserves.
- The sustainable practice contest has a winner. Commission will look into how the presentation will be done. Possibly at an upcoming board meeting.
- Commissioner Johnson advocated to change the Native Plant Tour to June 26th to allow for warmer weather and time for plants to bloom. New locations will be hopefully added.
- Waste Reduction Plan updates will be passed out next meeting as they were not currently available. Commissioner Johnson added that the Chicagoland Scrap Organization would like to possible have a speaker discuss the program at a future meeting.
- Commissioner Twickler has updated the Electrical Vehicle Rebate noting the program should start in July and offer up to \$4,000 for purchases. We are still awaiting a response and more information.
- Facebook

- Commissioner Mrazek will make a post for Styrofoam Recycling in Western Springs on Saturday 5/7/22.
- The Leaf Blower Article will be posted with minor changes such as removing the mentioning of Villages or policies. The benefits of not using gas powered leaf blowers will be the focus.

6. Other

- Commissioner Grimm inquired about the posting of lead removal information being posted on the Village website and being made available to the public.

7. Open Discussion

- A Chicago Tribune Article was discussed regarding the City of Elgin purchasing solar arrays to power utilities in the city. Further information will be looked such as the sponsor of the West Suburban Municipal Conference.
- Commissioner Mrazek discussed the creation of a video for the topic of acceptable recycling.
- Also noted that this would be the final meeting for Laura McAllister with the Sustainability Committee as she will be pursuing her next level of education.

8. Next Meeting Date – June 6, 2022, at 6:00 pm at the La Grange Park Village Hall.

12. Adjournment – Commissioner Burns made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



**John Jandak
Village of La Grange Park
Public Works Foreman**