

VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE
SUSTAIN LIBERTYVILLE COMMISSION

March 17, 2021
4:00 PM

Please Note: Meeting Conducted Virtually Due to Governor's Executive Orders #2020-10, 18 & 32 – Due to Public Health Concerns this Meeting was Conducted Virtually

MINUTES

Commission: Chair Doug Reed, Cathy O'Brien, Carol Cooper, Dave Wilms,
Jeanine Chyna and Dave Neu
Village Staff: Village Administrator Kelly Amidei

Guests: Chris Geiselhart & Glen Moss

- 1) Approval of January 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes
A motion was made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to approve the January 27, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously by a 6-0 roll call vote.
- 2) Additional Renewable Electrical Supply Opportunities
Chair Reed explained that renewable energy costs had gotten lower and that the benefits of our aggregation program had been vetted. Residents receive solicitations with monetary rewards but they may not provide the same benefits. It is important to do our best to educate about the program.
- 3) Composting Developments
Administrator Amidei explained the residential composting program had begun on January 1, 2021. The program has been advertised in Village outlets and she will check with Groot to see how many residents have enrolled in the program. A handful of interested residents wanted to utilize the program but did not have the need for the landscape program. This is a new program and options will have to be reviewed with Groot in order to encourage resident involvement. Chair Reed explained the upcoming SWALCO Compost project entitled "DIG IN".
- 4) Village Views Article Review
Member O'Brien had submitted an article on recycling do's and don'ts which will be included in the upcoming Spring issue. Member Wilms will provide the next article for the following issue regarding electric power sustainability.
- 5) Arbor Day Ceremony
Administrator Amidei informed the Commission that annually on Arbor Day a tree is planted on public property. She recommended that in the future it might be nice for the Commission to work with a school or other group to partner with the Ceremony. The

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group was in agreement. Administrator Amidei will share the information with the group regarding the 2021 ceremony via email.

6) Native Plant Garden Plans

It appears some of the plantings are returning which is great news. A small iron fence will be ordered and the sign for no weeding or mulching will be added soon.

7) Illinois Bird City Application

Village resident Glen Moss from the Audubon Society explained a new program called Bird City which would allow Libertyville to be designated a Bird City by meeting certain criteria. The first item was a Village proclamation which the Commission recommended be taken to the Village Board. He will provide more information as the group was very interested.

8) Other Items

Chris Geiselhart reported that the Lake County Audubon Society had been working on the Adler Woods Project and still had grant money available to continue the project. Volunteers are still needed and on April 24th they were planning an Earth Day Celebration.

9) Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Neu. The meeting adjourned at 4:48 pm. The next meeting is on April 21, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kelly A. Amidei, Village Administrator