Village of Lombard

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Minutes

Tuesday, October 25, 2011 7:30 PM

Lorraine G. Gerhardt Community Room

Environmental Concerns Committee

Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick - Chairperson
Trustee Zach Wilson - Alternate Chairperson
Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub,
Nancy Schukat, Winnie Lyons,
Darlene Bartt, Jason Cooper & Dustin Smith
Staff Liaison: Dave Gorman

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fitzpatrick at 7:30 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call

Present 7 - Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick, Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub, Winnie Lyons, Darlene Bartt, Jason Cooper, and Dustin Smith

Absent 1 - Nancy Schukat

Staff Present:
Dave Gorman, Asst. Director of Public Works
Paul Kuehnlenz, Civil Engineer, Public Works

3.0 Public Participation

4.0 Approval of Minutes

Amendment: Item 110593, last sentence should read We could also look at the Japanese Knotweed and there is a lot of Beauty Bush.

It was moved by Cooper, seconded by Lyons, to approve the Minutes of the September 27, 2011 as amended. The motion carried by a voice vote

5.0 Unfinished Business

050616 Current Solid Waste Contract - Update

Gorman distributed a Recycling Report that was provided by Mike Brink from Waste Management. Gorman noted that the Non-fiber category has a high contamination rate and suggested that a list of acceptable recyclables be published in the Pride again. Gorman will work with Waste Management on providing more education to the consumers regarding what are acceptable recycling materials.

070424 Clean Air Counts

Gorman reviewed the slide and the purpose of Clean Air Counts. He commented that the next big thing to change will be construction and exhaust from big trucks.

110058 2011 Recycling Extravaganza

Gorman stated that 1100 cars came through the Extravaganza, even with Downers Grove having their Extravaganza and Villa Park hosting an electronics drop off the same day.

110419 Paperless Meetings

Chairperson Fitzpatrick reviewed the potential cost savings as outlined in the email from the Village Manager. She went on to explain that currently, if there is a mistake on any Board item that item has to be recopied and everything has to be re collated which can cost a significant amount in staff time. She added that since she has been using the iPad, she does like it and thinks it's a good idea. She further added that the Fire Department is piloting doing inspections with the iPad. The only downside she commented on is that PDFs are not compatible with Apple products, so the Village may have to use a different product.

6.0 New Business

Chairperson Fitzpatrick told the Committee members that she would like to revamp the Recycling Education grant. She explained that there is not an ordinance for appropriating the funds, which should be done, and the grant policy itself is kind of loose. She suggested that in January the committee workshop the grant requirements and process to create something cleaner and more substantial. There should be some set standards. All committee members present agreed.

110646 Recycling Education Grant Application, St. John's Lutheran School A request in the amount of \$100.00.

It was moved by Jendras, seconded by Bartt, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

110647 Recycling Education Grant Application, Glenbard East High School A request in the amount of \$350.00.

Not all required paperwork was submitted.

It was moved by Jendras, seconded by Bartt, that this matter be to deny. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub, Winnie Lyons, Darlene Bartt, Jason Cooper, and Dustin Smith

Absent: 1 - Nancy Schukat

110648 Recycling Education Grant Application, Willowbrook High School A request in the amount of \$5,347.00.

Jendras commented that the reason the request is so high is because of the quantity of each item they are requesting. She suggested that the committee only approve partial request and the school can provide the rest. Bartt explained that they do take advantage of having the creek so close. Smith thought there might be other ways to sample the creek. Cooper pointed out that the submittal does mention that the other methods may require contact with chemicals, so this is safer. Kuehnlenz added that the datalog they are asking for connects to the graphing calculators. Jendras suggested that the committee could approve the equipment and they could be responsible for the accessories. Chairperson Fitzpatrick suggested that the committee could offer them 50%. Cooper commented that he likes the idea of sampling the water because it is a local problem.

It was moved by Cooper, seconded by Jendras, that this matter be

recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub, Winnie Lyons, Darlene Bartt, Jason

Cooper, and Dustin Smith

Absent: 1 - Nancy Schukat

110650 Local Climate Action Plan

Gorman explained that when the Village signed on with the US Mayors Caucus Agreement on Climate Change, one requirement was to implement a Local Climate Action Plan which targets greenhouse gas actions. This plan focuses on those things that can be quantified, CO2 emissions, etc. One part that still needs to be added is a table of the CO2e conversion factors and their sources as web addresses. Lyons asked if such factors had been subject to frequent changes. Gorman responded that he tried to find trusted sources such as the EPA for the factors. Most seem somewhat standard, such as for cars. However, that will change as cars change in emissions and fuel economy. In the Agreement, the Village committed to reducing our emissions to 7% below the 1990 levels. We did not have data from that year so we used 2005 data from the attached CNT study and we have met that reduction. Most of the reduction was from modifying Village operations, namely the installation of LED street lights. Additional lights will be installed in future years since the Village Board has approved LEDs as the preferred luminaire type for whole block replacements.

Gorman went on to comment that Cool Cities has five or six steps to go through, one of which is to identify partnerships. The Village has not done that yet. The committee members were asked if they, as a committee, would like to work on identifying and facilitating those partnerships. The committee members in attendance agreed that they would like to work on that. They will begin working on it in the Spring of 2012.

It was moved by Lyons, seconded by Cooper, to approve the Local Climate Action Plan. The motion carried by a voice vote

7.0 Other Business

8.0 Information Only

110589 Mosquito Abatement Program Update

9.0 Adjournment

It was moved by Jendras, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote