

Village of Lombard

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Minutes

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

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

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fitzpatrick at 7:31 PM.

2.0 Roll Call

Staff in attendance:

David Gorman, Assistant Public Works Director

Paul Kuehlenz, Civil Engineer

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

Absent 1 - Winnie Lyons

3.0 Public Participation

Douglas Gotham, 410 N. Garfield

Lonnie Morris, 209 W. Sunset

4.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Darlene Bartt, seconded by Jason Cooper, that the minutes be approved with the necessary corrections. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

5.0 Unfinished Business

[050616](#)

Current Solid Waste Contract - Update

Mike Brink from Waste Management in attendance. Brink passed out report to the committee members. Committee asked Brink to look into what the contamination in recycling is caused by. Brink: will try to get some specifics for Lombard on the contamination in the recycling. Brink: asked if the committee would like to go for a tour of the Grayslake recycling facility? Committee agreed to set up something; will talk about this at the April meeting.

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Clean Air Counts

Gorman: we did receive the silver award. We were just one item short of getting the gold.

[110650](#)

Local Climate Action Plan

Gorman: reviewed plan with the committee members. Revised pages

4, 8, 9 and 10. There will be a referendum in the Spring to vote on a different aggregate source - renewable energy source. Lonnie Morris in attendance. Gorman asked Morris to speak to the committee. Morris: aggregation will get us to the 7% goal. Reviewed some options that are out there with the committee. We all know that the cheapest electricity is not always the best. Discussed the options for renewable energy and what the savings are - talked about Oak Park. Advised the ECC and Village Board to get quotes on a variety of options; likely to be one year contracts. 154 communities in the State of Illinois will be putting a referendum out in the Spring for aggregation. Morris introduced Doug Gotham, 410 N. Garfield. Gotham: a resident of Lombard. By asking for a renewable source the Village is opening up different options for our community. We need to ask questions to get the answers. We are all looking for a savings and renewable energy sources. Cooper: true renewable energy sources vs. carbon free. Have other communities differentiated between the 2? Morris: in an RFP you ask for the source of the energy. The best energy is locally produced and renewable. Fitzpatrick: asked Gorman to look into what some of the RFP's are that are out there. Gorman: particularly Oak Park. Morris: will forward information to the Board and the committee members. Gorman: can wait until February and see what some of the RFP's look like or the committee could put this to rest tonight. You can ask for alternates. Fitzpatrick: asked Gorman to put some verbiage together for the next meeting for the committee to recommend. Cooper: we need to seize this opportunity to be a leader in the state. Discussion ensued regarding different costs that are paid for energy and what the committee would like to recommend.

A motion was made by Jason Cooper, seconded by Darlene Bartt, that this item be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval with the following addition of verbiage: to be included in the RFP - bundled electricity to provide the following tiers for both renewable and carbon fee electricity sourced at 100%, 50% and 15%. . The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

6.0 New Business

[120036](#)

FY12B & FY13 Budget Discussion

Fitzpatrick: had a lot of great ideas for the overage normally in this fund only to receive this news. Gorman: costs that have been increasing and there is a deficit being projected for FY12b and for FY13.

Gorman reviewed 3 options - none of them very appealing. Discussion ensued regarding making the pickup time for free brush a lesser amount of time. Also, putting a service fee of "x" amount of dollars to cover the pickup of the bundled brush. Fitzpatrick: just

recently opened an office and the cost of garbage pickup is \$100.00 per month. We can't ask businesses for more money. Bartt: if we follow the recommendation of staff how do we do this? Jendras: maybe we have to put the word out there that brush pickup has a cost to it. Reduce the service time for free pickup. Cooper: really need to explain to people what the service fee covers. Gorman: would need to amend the contract with Waste Management if we want to change terms of the free brush pickup.

Fitzpatrick: asked how many grants were applied for the in the last couple of years. Also, costs of the recycling extravaganza. Schukat: as a resident I would like to hear that there is a moratorium on the grant program and still have the free brush program. Fitzpatrick: need to consider services that effect the whole community vs. those that only help a certain sector. We want to service the whole community. It is very common during difficult financial times to not fund certain grants until economy picks up.

Gorman: staff will continue to bring to the committee different options i.e., less brush pickup, increase fees, etc.

A motion was made by Nancy Schukat, seconded by Darlene Bartt, to put a moratorium on all grant programs for FY2012b and Fy2013, or until funding becomes available. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Laura Fitzpatrick, Nancy Schukat, Darlene Bartt, and Dustin Smith

Nay: 3 - Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub, and Jason Cooper

Absent: 1 - Winnie Lyons

120037 Education Recycling Grant Program Discussion

A motion was made by Darlene Bartt, seconded by Jason Cooper, that this Request be tabled. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

120038 Monthly Electronics Collection - Review of Proposals

Gorman: explained staff recommendation.

Gorman: will be held on the first Saturday of the month beginning in April and continuing through November. Brink: could this be extended for a longer period of time? It is done year round in other Villages and towns.

A motion was made by Nancy Schukat, seconded by Darlene Bartt, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval . The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

120039 2012 Recycling Extravaganza

Gorman: would suggest Saturday, 9/29/12. Consensus of committee was to agree with staff recommendation of Saturday, 9/29/12.

7.0 Other Business

8.0 Information Only

9.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Jennifer Jendras, seconded by Jason Cooper, to adjourn this meeting at 9:00 PM. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.