Village of Lombard

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2009

7:30 PM

Village Hall Community Room

Environmental Concerns Committee

Trustee Dana Moreau-Chairperson Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick-Co-Chairperson Clark Adams, Jennifer Jendras, Ann Mason, Winnie Lyons, Nancy Schukat and Darlene Bartt Staff Liaison: Dave Gorman

1.0 Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gron at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Greg Gron, Winnie Lyons, Jennifer Jendras, Darlene Bartt and Clark Adams

Absent: Nancy Schukat and Ann Mason

Others Present:

Jim Karls, Waste Management

2.0 Public Participation

3.0 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Adams, seconded by Bartt, to approve the Minutes of the April 30, 2009 meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote

4.0 Unfinished Business

050616 Solid Waste Contract - Update

Karls reviewed his handout and spoke about solar powered trash compactors. The compactors will hold 5x the amount of a normal trash bin and tells you when it needs to be emptied. They also handle recycling. Waste Management has partnered with the manufacturer.

Bartt asked if the market for recycling has improved. Karls responded that it still is not good.

070424 Clean Air Counts

Gorman reviewed the slide.

080726 2009 Recycling Extravaganza

Lyons asked if tires or fire extinguishers were going to be accepted and went on to explain that Kay McKeen from SCARCE has found someone that will take the extinguishers. Gorman answered that staff will look into it. Adams commented that he would be concerned about them blowing them off in the parking lot.

There were no changes to the site plan.

Jendras commented that she thought Com2 was going to do [the electronics recycling] for free. Gorman explained that they said free, but when it came in writing there was a cost. Gorman added that when the committee makes its decision, it should not be

based solely on the numbers, but also on the ability to provide the services. Com 2's references were not flattering. Lyons asked how staff came up with the amount. Gorman responded that it is based on 60 tons because of the change over to digital TVs.

General discussion ensued regarding where monitors are sent.

Lyons commented that she does not trust the other recycling companies, however, SSI is too expensive. Jennifer pointed out that the committee used Vintage Tech last year. Gorman added that Carrie Gibson from Vintage Tech continues to invite the committee members to come out and see the operation.

Lyons informed the committe that Downers Grove and Hanover Park are having their extravaganzas the same day and Prairie Days is the next day.

The committee member positions for the 2009 Extravaganza are as follows:

Bartt - volunteer desk Lyons - volunteer desk Jendras/Bartt - volunteer recruitment Schukat - publicity Adams - volunteers (on site)

Gorman reminded the committee that Vintage Tech brings employees for electronics and we don't accept lumber anymore.

It was moved by Jendras, seconded by Adams, to approve Vintage Tech as the Electronics Recyling vendor for the 2009 Recycling Extravaganza. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Jendras, Adams and Bartt

Abstain: 1 - Lyons

Absent: 2 - Schukat and Mason

5.0 New Business

6.0 Other Business

Gorman reminded the committee that June 1st the Compost Bin Grant program will begin. The Rain Barrel Grant program is also continuing.

Gorman told the committee that he received a call from the Jaycees regarding a booth at the Taste of Lombard. He suggested that a compost bin could be there and set up a display about the grant program. Ad Hoc Trails will also have a bike mechanic there on Sunday. Jaycees would like to know if one booth will suffice for both. The consensus was that sharing a booth is fine. Jendras commented that information regarding rain barrels, compost bins, the Extravaganza and the CFL bulbs should be available. Gorman also suggested that he could see if the Conservation Foundation would put out a rain barrel.

7.0 Information Only

Chairperson Gron handed out a latex paint recycling flyer from DuPage County and

informed the committee members that Bike to work day is June 19.

Chairperson Gron also commented that the Village needs to try to boost our Clean Air Counts designation. Gorman answered that we are working towards Silver.

Adams spoke about an article he read regarding the cloth shopping bags and contamination. They need to be washed once in awhile. Chairperson Gron added that he saw that a professor from USC designed a tote bag that folds up into purse size.

Adams informed the other members that the Illinois Recycling Association conference is next week in Bloomington.

Chairperson Gron told the committee that he spoke with the Lombard Town Center and they would still like to do recycling downtown. Gorman explained that it was all arranged by the Chamber. Chairperson Gron suggested that ECC needs to spearhead that as a committee. So when festivals occur it's a standard. Bartt suggested that Cruise Nights should be the first thing to work on.

8.0 Adjournment

Committee

It was moved by Jendras, seconded by Adams, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote