

PUBLIC NOTICE

Meeting - Environmental Improvement Committee

October 7, 2019, 6:00 PM

Westmont Public Library, 428 N. Cass, Westmont, IL 60559

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call To Order

Barker called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members: Brittany Smith, Glenn Gabryel, and chair Bruce Barker

Staff in attendance: Jon Yeater

Others in attendance: Geri Richter, Carol Johnson, Kimberly Bell

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comment

5. Consent Agenda

- a. Regular meeting minutes 9/9/2019

Approval deferred until November meeting.

6. Reports

- a. Chair Report

After our presentation, it was announced that Sterogenics would be closing.

There are still 25 more facilities that can use the same chemicals in Illinois.

Manager May has asked our Fire Chief to FOIA the state to find out any businesses in Westmont using tier 2 chemicals. Barker is also looking into lighting issues around Westmont in which there are LED exterior lights that are obstructing public areas with their level of brightness. The idea would put together further recommendations for LED lighting which would include

brightness and color.

Christa Stanulis arrived at 6:19pm.

7. Old Business

a. Environmental Awards

We will continue the discussion in November.

b. Special Waste Collection Event Preparation

Barker will continue to work on this for a spring date. Yeater sent an email about DC3 battery recycling programs to gauge interest from the group. Bales hardware currently will take batteries for recycling. The group's thought is to promote this, versus creating another drop off site.

c. Waste Stream Reduction Initiative

Gabriel will ask MMC members at a meeting tomorrow if any other municipalities have tips about this. Manager May has agreed to a meeting about curbside composting, EIC just needs to finalize a date for it.

d. Pumpkin Smash and Composting Events 2019

Larry McIntyre is asking for five volunteers for the pumpkin smash event.

e. VOW Earth Flag

The Village received their Earth Flag and it was presented at a Village board meeting.

f. 2019 Fall Native Tree and Plant Sale

77 plants total were sold and we raised \$250 for Richmond Gardens.

g. EIC Resident Contact List

Yeater will get that out to everyone.

8. New Business

a. EIC Membership

Barker is suggesting some of our guests become official members of the EIC.

b. Solar Investment Tax Credit

This will be an item on the next agenda for next month.

c. Tier 2 Chemical Prohibition

Barker covered this in his report.

9. Misc.

Monarch Fest was a success! Save the date for September 19th, 2020 for the second annual! Gabriel presented about the issues with various films that are on recyclable materials that need to be removed before recycling. Yeater brought up the fact that EIC still needs a logo. October 28th Yeater is doing an Oaktober tree plan with Maercker School.

10. Adjourn

Motion: Smith motioned to adjourn, Stanulis seconded.

Vote: Vote: all in favor, motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.