

**Village of Flossmoor
Community Relations Green Committee
MINUTES
Tuesday, June 21, 2016**

I. Call to order

Committee Chair Maggie Bachus called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

II. Roll call

Present: Committee Members: Maggie Bachus, Chair; Ernie Ratowitz; Jennifer Molski; Brian Zakem, Gregg Calpino and Carrie Malfeo

Absent: Linda Tyson, Tyler Thompson

Also Present: Bridget Wachtel, Village Manager

I THINK TYLER AND LINDA WERE ABSENT

III. Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

There were no visitors to the commission.

IV. Approval of April 19, 2016 minutes

The minutes of April 19, 2016 were passed by a voice vote.

V. Open items

a) Campaigns

1. Start a Bag Habit

The committee will update campaign materials, including removing Wal-Mart, as well as continuing to educate about plastic wrap recycling locations and identifying new high traffic areas for campaign materials. The committee will ask Flossmoor Library to move reusable bags to the first floor.

2. Recyclepalooza (May 14)

The committee discussed the results of Recyclepalooza. The Committee chose May 6, 2017 for the next event. They plan to add paper shredding in the School Street parking lot.

VI. Old Business

a) Shredding – The committee will look for a possible fall and spring date, or potentially partnering with the Village of Homewood and Flossmoor Library. Shredding will likely be combined with Recyclepalooza in the spring.

b) New Member discussion - The committee discussed potential new members. Bridget Wachtel

offered to put an 'ad' in the e-newsletter for the Village. Ideally, candidates would be parents from Flossmoor Hills or Heather Hills to bring some new participation to the group. The goal is to have a candidate by August.

VII. Flossmoor Fest

The Green Committee will have a table at Flossmoor Fest and will staff the bike valet. There will be a giveaway and the committee will promote free libraries and the HF Garden. There will be the Recycle Right game again. Green Committee members will staff the table from 11-1, 1-3 and 3-5 pm. Maggie will get volunteers from HF and Parker Junior High.

VIII. New Business

The committee also discussed:

- A subcommittee to talk to public works about more eco-friendly landscaping.
- Working with Garden Guys and Gals to volunteer for public garden areas and to develop a team to work with teen groups
- Looking at the rain barrel program from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District again
- A potential future student poster contest promoting limiting the amount of garbage to just one can

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.