

**Village of Flossmoor  
GREEN COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**April 19, 2022**

**This Meeting was also made available over zoom**

I. Call to Order

*Chairperson Turnquest called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.*

II. Roll Call

*Present: Commissioners Turnquest, O'Keefe, Shaw, Barker, Student Liaison Hernandez, Ratowitz, Owen-Thomas (via zoom), Klages, Lippert, absent: Commissioner DeSantis.*

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

none

IV. Approval of March 15, 2022 minutes

*Chairperson Turnquest asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Shaw brought forth the motion. Second: Commissioner Ratowitz.*

V. Presentation by Collective Resource Compost

*Thank you to Erlene Howard of Collective Resource Compost for her very informative presentation on the benefits of composting. The Commission appreciated the well thought out presentation and the discussion that followed. Several questions were asked and answered of Erlene surrounding the topic of composting at events. Her extensive experience in this area was extremely helpful to the commission.*

VI. Old Business

- a. *The commission celebrated the success of the clean-up event, new resident event, and the tree planting. It was brought to the attention of Stephanie Wight that at the next clean up we should have smaller trash bags. The commission also asked for more shovels to be made available at tree planting events.*
- b. *The commission discussed their role at the 60422 event and if as a commission they felt like it was a good idea to try event composting with Collective Resource Compost. The cost would be \$615.00 for CRC to collect food waste and haul it away at the end of the evening. Commissioner Owen-Thomas believes in this so strongly that she donated \$200.00 toward the effort bringing the cost of the Green Commission down to \$400.00. Commissioner Lippert volunteered to write up a recommendation on compostable earth friendly take away items for vendors to use at events. The cost associated with composting could eventually become an issue, but could it possibly be solved with sponsorship or by approaching the board. At the end of the discussion Commissioner Shaw made a motion to spend \$415.00 from the GC budget on CRC at 60422. Commissioner Owen-Thomas second.*
- c. *There was no new information for Recyclepalooza at this time.*

VII. New Business

- a. *Commissioner Shaw shared that we have acquired a trees forever grant. He would like permission from the commission to go speak to the Park District about planting those trees at Leavitt Park.*

- b. Commissioner Owen-Thomas shared that electric car charging stations are on the horizon.  
There is federal funding available.*

VIII. Student Update: None

IX. Caring and Sharing

XIII. Adjournment

*Commissioner Shaw made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairperson O'Keefe Second.*

*Meeting adjourned at pm 8:40pm*

*Next Meeting: 5/17/22*