

Village of Flossmoor
Green Commission Meeting
VILLAGE HALL AND ZOOM

MINUTES

May 18, 2021

I. Call to Order

Chairman Turnquest called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Turnquest, Commissioners O'Keefe, Ratowitz, Barker, Sharon, Lippert, Shaw, Klages, Student liaison Ben Turnquest

Absent: None

Staff: Assistant Village Manager Allison Matson

Resident: Margaret Hagerman

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

Resident Margaret Hagerman asked about regulations regarding notification of the use of herbicides by residents. Commissioner Shaw shared that it is governed by the Department of Agriculture.

IV. Approval of April 20, 2021 minutes

Chairman Turnquest called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, 2021. Motion: Barker.
Second: Klages. Motion passed by a voice vote.

V. Green Commission Budget Review

No update.

VI. Commission Goals Goal Setting, Themes and Subcommittees for 2020-2021: Entire Commission

A. Each Commissioner's update on assigned areas

- Mayors Monarch Pledge: Commissioner Shaw has a list of plants to plant at Leavitt Park. Allison will coordinate a meeting with Dave Becker, Commissioner Shaw and Commissioner DeSantis. Allison showed the commission the sign that has been designed. Dave Ward is willing to harvest milkweed seed from Coyote Run to give away for planting.
- The Unitarian Church in Park Forest is sponsoring a household hazardous waste collection and asking for donations to assist with transport.
- Commissioner O'Keefe shared that Mayor Nelson asked if the Green Commission would be interested in a beautification award. It could include two commissioners each from Art, Green and Community Relations.
- Commissioner Sharon will be the liaison to the school as a member of the School District 161 Board. The Green Teams are starting to re-constitute themselves.
- Commissioner Shaw shared that we are planning a fall tree planting in October; likely the second or third weekend. We will need volunteers.

- Student liaison Turnquest is working to find a replacement for his position, as he will be graduating.
- The Commission discussed the purpose of labeling the plants at the library. It will serve as an education opportunity.

VII. Old Business

Chairman Turnquest has reached out to Parker Junior High about holding Recyclepalooza on October 2. Allison will follow up.

VIII. New Business

Flossmoor Fest is scheduled for Sept. 11. Commissioner Klages asked that the Village update the Green Resources site with information on rain barrels from the MWRD.

IX. Adjournment

Chairman Turnquest called for a motion to adjourn. Motion: Ratowitz. Second: Sharon. Motion passed by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.