

**Village of Flossmoor  
GREEN COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**June 21, 2022**

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I. Call to Order

*Chairperson Turnquest called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.*

II. Roll Call

*Present: Commissioners Turnquest, O'Keefe, Shaw, Barker, Klages, Ratowitz, absent: Commissioners DeSantis, Owen-Thomas, Lippert, and Student Liaison Hernandez.*

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

none

IV. Approval of May 17, 2022 minutes

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

V. Presentation by Urban Canopy:

*a. Representatives from Urban Canopy presented on their efforts to bring opt-in curbside composting to the south suburbs.*

VI. Old Business:

- a. 60422 The commission found their composting efforts to be very beneficial to the overall 60422 event. The commission recognized that this was an incredible amount of work, but feels the benefits are immense. The commission made ABC 7 news thanks to commissioner Owen-Thomas. It was wonderful to have the efforts of the commission recognized in this way. The green commission saved over 175 pounds of food waste from going into a landfill. Stephanie is to source a quote from both Urban Canopy and CRC for both the Hidden Gem and Flossmoor Fest. Well done!*
- b. Recyclepalooza to be held on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The school has been reserved.*

VII. New Business:

- a. Seed Library: Stephanie shared with the commission that Deborah Hampton from Flossmoor Public Library has great concerns about the future of the seed library. Stephanie to add her to the next agenda and the commission to generously donate \$200.00 worth of seeds next week.*
- b. Flossmoor Fest and Chamber Night: The commission began to talk about their role at the fest. A large portion of our efforts will likely be put toward composting. We would like to offer some education about composting for residents and guests to take home. Additionally, the commission would like to hand out milkweed plants at the Chamber night on July 21. The plants are generously donated by Possibility Place.*

VIII. Update from student liaison: None

IX. Local e events and meetings.

Chairperson Turnquest shared an opportunity to attend the Cook County Environmental Resource Fair on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Barker shared an idea for co-hosting a fix-it fair with the library.

X. Caring and Sharing:

Commissioner Shaw shared very exciting news in the closing moments of the meeting. CRTI has awarded a grant in the amount of \$30,000 for trees to be planted along the Hidden Gem Half Marathon Route this fall. Stephanie to plan a meeting with public works to discuss next steps and to get this on the agenda for the next board meeting. Congratulations!

XI. Adjournment

*Commissioner Shaw made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Klages Second.*

*Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm*

*Next Meeting: 8-16-22*