

**Village of Flossmoor
GREEN COMMISSION
MINUTES**

July 19, 2022

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I. Call to Order

Chairperson Turnquest called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

II. Roll Call

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

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission
none

IV. Approval of July 19, 2022 minutes

Chairperson Turnquest asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner O'Keefe brought forth the motion. Second: Commissioner DeSantis

V. Deborah Hampton Seed Library:

Deborah Hampton is a staff member at Flossmoor Public Library and she oversees the seed library which is a combined effort from both the Library and the Green Commission. Deborah expressed her concern about the lack of communication from the Green Commission. She also expressed concern about the lack of seeds being donated. It seems the seed library is being used as a one-way street. Commissioner DeSantis offered to work with Deborah in areas where everyone determined info was lacking. Ex: Messaging, how to use the seed library, donating seeds, how to harvest seeds. Commissioner DeSantis has committed to being the liaison between the commission and the library.

VI. Discussion of plan for CRTI grant: Stephanie to work on an e-waiver for our volunteers to use for the October 15 tree planting date. Times are 8am- until approx. 1pm. Volunteers must have their own rides. Stephanie to work with village attorney to determine ages of volunteers.

VII. Old Business:

- a. Flossmoor Fest: The commission will be offering event composting, seed drop-off, tree volunteer sign up. Commissioner O'Keefe to work on a schedule for volunteers.*
- b. Recyclepalooza to be held on October 8th. 9am-noon.*
- c. Chamber Night: 270 milkweed plants to be donated and given away at the IPO Chamber Night. Thank you to Possibility Place for the donation.*

VIII. New Business:

- a. Stephanie informed the commission of the dedication of the pollinator garden to former mayor Paul Braun happening on August 1 at 6:30pm in the garden.*

VIII. Update from student liaison: None

X. Local e events and meetings.

Chairperson Turnquest shared an opportunity to attend the Cook County Environmental Resource Fair on August 28th.

XI. Caring and Sharing:

XII. Adjournment

*Commissioner Owen-Thomas made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner DeSantis Second.
Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm*

Next Meeting: September 20, 2022