

**CITY OF WARRENVILLE
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
at City Hall, 28W701 Stafford Place, Warrenville**

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Sarah Anderson at 7:03 p.m.

B. OATH OF OFFICE

Chair Sarah Anderson, Commissioner Bob Kanara, Commissioner Kathy Franke, and Commissioner Amy Murphy all took the Oath of Office through 2024.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Sarah Anderson, Commissioner Bob Kanara, Commissioner Kathy Franke, Commissioner Amy Murphy, City Council Representative Kathy Davolos, and Staff Liaison David Romero.

Not Present: Commissioner Jean-Marie Kauth.

D. APPROVAL OF MAY 18, 2021 MINUTES (PDF)

Motion was made by Chair Sarah Anderson to approve the minutes from the May meeting; motion was seconded by Commissioner Bob Kanara and was passed by unanimous vote.

E. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

F. OFFICIALS AND STAFF COMMENTS/REPORTS (PDF)

Council Representative Kathy Davolos reported that the city signed a one-year contract with a company for electrical aggregation which provides 100% renewable energy and a \$25,000 donation for a city green initiative, the details yet to be determined. The City Council would like input and collaboration with the EAC on future decisions such as the electrical one. Additionally, Councilwoman Davolos highlighted the extensive list of City Climate Action Initiatives currently enacted.

G. BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. Promoting Agenda through Facebook (All)

Staff Liaison Romero spoke with Christina White who will be administering the Facebook account and reviewing posts. She recommended keeping posts to 2 lines and possibly linking to the website page. EAC members will discuss a calendar of suggested educational topics at the next meeting in order to have a new topic or initiative every month and David will talk to Christina about possibly linking to the monthly meeting agenda. One possible initiative discussed is “No Mow Until Mother’s Day” introduced by the “Monarch Project” and suggested by Commissioner Kanara. Research on community reaction to this initiative can begin with the Westmont Environmental Commission who enacted it this spring. Moving forward with Facebook posts, sources of information must be credible, and we will have to be mindful of copyrights with any pictures used.

2. Groot Composting (All)

There continues to be some confusion about Groot's food scrap composting program. The flyer sent to all residents by Groot does not address this option. Christina White will clarify the details with Groot and then the EAC will educate the community about the benefits of curbside composting of food scraps to highlight the opportunity and available options.

3. EAC's website page (All)

Staff Liaison Romero reported that Commissioner Kauth would like to be part of this discussion so all will bring ideas to the next meeting for website page updates. We would definitely like to link to the City's comprehensive list of Climate Action Initiatives presented to the City Council which accomplish goals set forth in the 2016 Climate Action Plan.

4. Cancellation of EAC's July meeting-discussion and vote (All)

Chair Anderson remarked that in the past, EAC has taken the month of July off due to vacations and other summer plans. After limited discussion, she made a motion to cancel the July meeting which was seconded by Commissioner Murphy and passed with a unanimous vote.

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS

None

I. ADJOURN

Commissioner Murphy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.; motion was seconded by Commissioner Kanara and passed unanimously. Battery sorting followed the meeting in the City Hall lower level office space.

Respectfully submitted,
Commissioner Kathy Franke