



Meeting Minutes for the Environmental Enhancement Commission
Tuesday, July 9, 2019
Tinley Park Village Hall – Kallsen Center

ROLL CALL

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Members: Chairman Antonio Halek
Aireen Arellano
Jeffery Loftus
Commission Secretary Denise Maly-Politano
Absent: Frank Markowicz
Kelly Mulqueeney, Staff Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Environmental Enhancement Commission was called to order by **Antonio Halek** at 7:17 p.m. [Late start due to another meeting with the village board.] Motion to open the meeting and approve the agenda made by **Aireen Arellano**, seconded by **Jeffery Loftus**.

Motion made by **Jeffery Loftus**, seconded by **Aireen Arellano**, to approve the June 18, 2019 minutes of the Environmental Enhancement Commission. Motion carried.

Correspondence

No correspondence received.

Committee Reports

Electrical Aggregation

Jeffery Loftus reported on findings from NIMEC meeting earlier tonight. NIMEC recommended if the village wanted to continue with electrical aggregation then the village should continue with MC2. The contract went to bid. ComEd's current rate is 7.05 cents Kwh. MC2 will match and provide renewable energy credits. Dave from NIMEC recommended renewing with a two year contract. Again, it is still an opt-out program and participants can opt-out at any time. Final vote will be next Tuesday before the village board. The same or similar concerns were brought up but for the most part everyone was in agreement.

Antonio Halek asked if **Jeffery Loftus** and **Aireen Arellano** will be able to attend the village board meeting regarding the final vote.

Tree City USA

Tabled.

Rain Garden/Apple Pond

Aireen Arellano went to visit the site. The pond is located behind Orland Bowl. Looks like there is progress there. We noticed a lot of sediment bags. This project will be in for the long hall and looks like it will take a while. We will continue to monitor the progress.

Booth at Farmer's Market

Antonio Halek will confirm the booth on July 27th, August 17th and September 28th. **Aireen Arellano** and **Jeffery Loftus** will work the booth.

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Garbage Contract

Jeffery Loftus reported there was really great progress tonight on the garbage contract. Citizens will be happy. Final vote will go to the village board next week. There were three qualified bidders: Homewood, Republic and Waste Management. It was recommended by Pat Carr that the village stay with Homewood for an eight year contract. He will attend the meeting next week.

Aireen Arellano reported on some key points decided: 1) senior discount of 5%; 2) disabled veterans will get free services; 3) condominiums and townhouses will be included in the recycling program. They will have the optional service for individuals of a \$22.50 opt-in fee or \$21.00 if the Homeowners Association did the program as an entire group. This is the monthly fee. This contract will include e-waste pick up of two TV's (or other electronics) per household per year. The new contract will also include Christmas tree disposal/recycling and hazardous waste pick up.

Flares vs. LEDs

Jeffrey Loftus sent an email to Pat Carr regarding flares with a flashing device vs. a chase pattern flare. The LED options cost more money but have more features. Pat Carr responded and said both options look good and he will try to work the cost into the Emergency Management budget for next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Rating System for Tinley Park Restaurants

Antonio Halek stated this was to be spearheaded by Jeff Mech but now it will be **Frank Markowicz**. It will be tabled for now until we figure out who will do what and how this will proceed. **Frank Markowicz** had suggested extending to grocery stores.

Aireen Arellano would like to handle that. Might need to do research on other cities that are possibly doing this. Would be great to give out stickers to business for recognition. We would need a rating card so that restaurants can see how they rate and how to improve.

Antonio Halek stated it might be a good 4th quarter project to work on.

Jeffery Loftus thought it would be a great way to promote Tinley businesses.

Good of the Order

Jeffery Loftus asked about storage and if we have any space yet. Need to help insure water resistance for anything in storage.

Comments from the Public

No public, no comments.

Adjournment

Motion made by **Aireen Arellano**, seconded by **Jeffery Loftus** to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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