



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Environmental Commission
Commissions Room

June 19, 2018
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from 5/22/18

IV. REPORTS

- A. Army Reserve Center Solar Installation

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Plastic Bag Reduction
- B. Reusable Bag Slogans

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes from 5/22/18

Department: hhs

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
May EC minutes	Minutes

**Village of Arlington Heights
Environmental Commission
Minutes from May 22, 2018**

I. Call to Order

Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

II. Roll Call

Present

Chair O'Brien
Youth Commissioner Kowalczyk
Commissioner Sawyer
Commissioner McVay
Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Balga
Commissioner Jordan

Not Present

Commissioner Malik

Also Present

Jeff Bohner, Staff Liaison

III. Approval of Minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JORDAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 17, 2018, MEETING, SECONDED BY YOUTH COMMISSIONER KOWALCZYK AND APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

IV. Reports

A. Army Reserve Center Solar Installation

Commissioner Balga said he had not spoken to the Army Reserve base regarding their solar installation, but wanted to know what questions the Commission wanted to ask. After discussion, it was agreed that the group would like to know about the installation's efficiency and size.

V. Old Business

A. Plastic Bag Reduction

The Commission reviewed the letter prepared by Commissioner Jordan to thank Jewel for their cooperation with the Village plastic recycling campaign. All present approved of the letter. After discussion, it was agreed that all members of the Commission should sign the letter.

The Liaison informed the group that an additional 40 pounds of plastic bags had been collected at Village sites since the last meeting. Chair O'Brien stated that Trex was requiring 500 pounds of bags be collected in six months for a recycled bench to be

awarded. Commissioner Balga suggested advertising the recycling campaign on the Village web site, while Commissioner Jordan suggested Facebook and Twitter.

Commissioner Balga told the other Commissioners that he had investigated the environmental display at the downtown train station. He said while the display was older, most of the information was accurate. He added that the display contained some web links that may need to be updated while the area should be cleaned and made more inviting. Commissioner Jordan noted that the train station and library would be good spots to display the information about what and how to recycle.

Commissioner McVay said she had talked to a representative of school District 214 about their recycling programs. There are programs in place at each school, but they are managed by individual teachers or clubs, not maintenance.

Chair O'Brien stated that State Senate Bill 1597, prohibiting local plastic bag bans or taxes in favor of a State tax, had proceeded out of the Environmental Committee to a different committee.

B. Reusable Bag Slogans

Commissioner Balga shared the results from the online poll he had created to find a slogan for reusable bags purchased by the Commission. He noted that four of the members had voted. The group discussed and eliminated several of the slogan choices. Afterwards, Commissioner Balga agreed to compile the remaining slogans and send them out as a new poll. The Chair encouraged all members to vote.

VI. New Business

VII. Other Business

The Commissioners agreed to meet again on June 19, 2018.

VIII. Adjournment

WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JORDAN TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY YOUTH COMMISSIONER KOWALCZYK, AND APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.