



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Environmental Commission
Virtual Meeting

April 1, 2021
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. **In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Environmental Commission meeting is being held virtually, which permits the public to fully participate via their computers or using their phones.**

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II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from February 25, 2021

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. 2021 Goals/Projects
1. Village Electric Vehicles
B. Solar Panel Installation

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Environmental Commission
4/1/2021

Item: Minutes from February 25, 2021

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes from February 25, 2021	Minutes

**Village of Arlington Heights
Environmental Commission
Minutes from February 25, 2021**

Prior to the meeting starting, Commissioner Malik moved to approve to appoint Commissioner O'Brien as temporary Chair for the meeting. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the Motion. The Motion: Passed Ayes: Jordan, Sawyer, O'Brien, Malik, Thompson.

I. Call to Order

Acting Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and explained that due to COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines, the meeting was being held virtually.

II. Roll Call

Present

Youth Commissioner Neacy
Acting Chair O'Brien
Commissioner Jordan
Commissioner Malik
Commissioner Sawyer
Commissioner Thompson

Not Present

Commissioner McVay
Chair Balga

Also Present

Jeff Bohner, Staff Liaison
Keith Moens, Resident

III. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Sawyer moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021, Environmental Commission meeting. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the Motion. The Motion: Passed Ayes: Jordan, Sawyer, O'Brien, Malik and Thompson.

IV. Reports

Commissioner Sawyer told the group he had been informed the Park District facilities at the Davis Street garage and Forest View Racquet Club were getting solar panel installations over the summer. He had been invited to ABT Electronics to view the polystyrene recycling preparation and hoped to speak to a representative of the City of Algonquin about their similar program.

Acting Chair O'Brien provided details of a meeting he had with Congressman Casten about green energy supplies. There are Federal grants for biofuel and electric car charger installations the Village could apply for. He also noted Illinois production of carbon dioxide per kilowatt hour of electricity generate has decreased recently as coal power plants have been decommissioned.

V. Old Business

A. Solar Panel Installation

There was no news on solar panel installation efforts.

B. Goals for 2021

Commissioner Jordan reported she and Youth Commissioner Neacy had worked on questions for a survey to have residents complete to gauge which environmental issues were important to them. A similar survey could be sent to businesses. She sent a copy of the questions to the Commission and asked for feedback. Youth Commissioner Neacy said she wanted the questions to be accessible enough that the survey wasn't completed by only residents in the environmental field, but a sampling of the average population. Commissioner Sawyer advised avoiding industry jargon or acronyms and to keep it shorter for that reason. There was a discussion about how to reframe the questions to make them more relevant. Commissioner Malik thought a question could ask if residents wanted existing programs improved or expanded. Commissioner Jordan thanked the group for their input and agreed to make some changes and send it to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Thompson sent a draft of an environmental award for the Commission to give to residents or businesses. He said he had purposely created artwork that was easily changed for specific circumstances.

VI. New Business

VII. Other Business

VIII. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Commissioner Sawyer to adjourn. Commissioner Malik seconded the Motion. The Motion: Passed Ayes: Jordan, Sawyer, O'Brien, Malik, Thompson,

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.