



AGENDA
Environmental Commission
Commissions Room
Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd., AH 60005
July 28, 2026
7:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS
 - III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. June 16th, 2026 Minutes
 - IV. REPORTS
 - V. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Review of 2026 Goals and Updates from Goal Champions
 - i. Landfill Diversion Education & Communication—Luanne Eisnhardt
 - ii. Publication of VAH Sustainability Metrics—Mark Porwit
 - iii. Livestream Event with AH Memorial Library—"Greener Living in Arlington Heights" — Phil Flores
 - iv. Curbside Composting Awareness—Susan Skurdland
 - v. Develop Recognition Program for Sustainable Business—Theresa Jordan
 - vi. Textile Recycling—Benchmark programs in surrounding communities
 - vii. Polystyrene Foam Ordinance—Benchmark Ordinances in surrounding communities
 - VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Battery Recycling
 - B. Farmers Market Volunteer Schedule
 - VII. OTHER BUSINESS
 - VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- Anyone wishing to speak on a subject not on the Agenda may speak at this time. Please limit your comments to three minutes.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**Village of Arlington Heights
Environmental Commission
Minutes from June 16, 2026**

I. Call to Order

Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present

Chair Jordan
Commissioner Wilk
Commissioner Sawyer
Commissioner Skrudland
Commissioner Flores

Not Present

Youth Commissioner Finn
Commissioner Porwit
Commissioner Eisenhardt

Also Present

Jeff Bohner, Staff Liaison
Stella Butler, Village Resident
Maggie Sraga, Farmers Market Manager

II. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Skrudland moved to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2026, Environmental Commission meeting. Commissioner Wilks seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

III. Reports

IV. Old Business

Chair Jordan asked for updates on the Commission projects.

A. Landfill diversion

Commissioner Eisenhardt wasn't available for an update.

B. Livestream event

Commissioner Flores stated the event, scheduled for September 12 from 1-3pm, will consist of a panel discussion followed by an interview portion. He has been finalizing who will be speaking in each portion of the event and staffing informational booths.

C. Publication of Sustainability Metrics

Commissioner Porwit wasn't available for an update.

D. Curbside Composting Awareness

Commissioner Skrudland said she and Chair Jordan had attended the last two Farmers Markets with flyers and a QR code for the preliminary composting survey to discover barriers to participation in curbside composting. The preliminary survey seemed to be working well. She was making two versions of the survey- one for residents that already participated in the program and a version for everyone else. The surveys would then be available at the market and could be shared via social media.

E. Recognition Program for Sustainable Businesses

Chair Jordan has an upcoming meeting with the Director of Health Services and Village Economic Development Manager to discuss a possible program.

F. Textile Recycling

Commissioner Wilk presented research he had completed on textile recycling. While the Village doesn't have a program, Mt. Prospect and Palatine have a program for collection of textiles and household goods from residents' doorsteps. The program is through Simple Recycling, which also provides collections in the Village. He noted that, even though residents can contact any collection company or utilize local thrift stores and drop-off locations, the choices are very hard to find. The Village should make the information easier to find on the website and publicize the options better, in his opinion.

G. Polystyrene Reduction

Youth Commissioner Finn distributed a report on polystyrene. Chair Jordan asked all members to read the report and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

V. New Business

VII. Other Business

Chair Jordan discussed working as greeters or working the kids' table at the Farmers Market. The Market Manager, Maggie Sraga, said available volunteering dates were filling fast, but there were dates available and she would send those dates to the Chair.

The group agreed to meet again on July 28.

The Chair asked Commissioner Porwit to reserve spots as greeters and to run the kids table at the farmers market.

VIII. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Commissioner Flores to adjourn. Commissioner Skrudland seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

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



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Item: Battery Recycling
Department: Health & Human Services

Item Description:

ATTACHMENTS:
None



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Item: Farmers Market Volunteer Schedule

Department: Health & Human Services

Item Description:

ATTACHMENTS:

None