

MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2011
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION – SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
COMMERCIAL RECYCLING

Present:

Adam Kreuzer, Commissioner

Xristina Rhan, Commissioner

Shefali Trivedi, DuPage County

The subcommittee made multiple determinations regarding the commercial recycling proposal. It was decided that the pilot project would have to be approved by the Village Board and Shefali will invite DuPage County Board Environmental Committee members to this meeting and encourage participation. The pilot project will be a group effort led by three entities, DuPage County, the Village (through the Environmental Commission) and the Chamber of Commerce. The County will take the lead in this initiative and will assume the majority of the workload involved. The Environmental Commission and Chamber will provide outreach support. Finally, the project will be a community-wide effort, involving several partners (e.g. Kiwanis, Rotary, etc.) in launch and implementation.

Shefali agreed to contact the executive director of the Chamber of Commerce to arrange a meeting to present the pilot project and gain their commitment as a main partner. Shefali will also develop an agenda and timeline for this project. The goal is to have a launch meeting around 9/15/11. It also needs to be considered that the pilot project could take up to 2 years to launch, implement and produce the desired outcomes.

Adam agreed to provide contact information of subcommittee members to Shefali. He will also contact Bill Fairbank from the Chamber, the Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club and the Women's League to solicit their general support.

Xris mentioned an outdoor recycling event that took place in Glen Ellyn about 5 years ago. If possible, it might be helpful to know the lessons learned, as well as outcomes from that pilot project. Although, it does seem that the pilot the subcommittee is proposing is different in scope.