

Ellyn Park District. Chairman Kreuzer stated that this is a valuable grassroots learning opportunity for the Village if brought to fruition. As of this year, Sue Crothers stated that 27 of 31 block parties went "green" and that 1 of 3 special events in River Forest went "green". She mentioned that if an event or block party is "green", the intern attends and provides an educational presentation on the Healthy Lawns Healthy Families, including the curbside composting program and other green opportunities. The Intern also encourages other residents to participate with the ability to sign up for the Healthy Lawn Healthy Families pledge. Sue stated the River Forest Program costed less than a \$1000 a season for the "green block parties" and the \$6,600 for the development of the Healthy Lawns Healthy Families initiative but as River Forest already created the program, this initial cost should be less for future communities. The group agreed that this program should be further looked into for 2017. Glen Ellyn Resident Kathryn Meigel stated that she would begin researching this program for a future recommendation.

B. Village of Glen Ellyn Rain Barrel Reimbursement Program -

Staff Liaison Mendoza mentioned to the group that the Conservation Foundation currently has a rain barrel program that could be used as an alternative of the Village's Rainbarrel Program. Staff Liaison Stonitsch & Mendoza mentioned that the Village's Rain Barrel Reimbursement Program has had a decline of requests for reimbursement over the past years. Commissioners discussed the Village's current program and also the Conservation Foundation's Rain Barrel Program. Commissioner Malone motioned to discontinue the program for 2017 and reevaluate the program in the future. The group unanimously agreed.

C. District 41 Problem Based Learning Recognition –

Commissioner Gregory presented an award plaque given by District 41 to the entire Environmental Commission. The plaque was in recognition of all the hard work and volunteerism provide by the Environmental Commission on the Problem Based Learning Program throughout various District 41 schools.

6. Old Business –

A. Cool DuPage –

Chairman Kreuzer provided a recommendation document to the group that if the Commission approved, is ready to be presented to the Village Board. The group discussed the initiative and felt as if this was a great opportunity for the Village with minimal downsides. Commissioner Pulver motioned to recommend to the Board of Trustees resolve to become a charter level community of the Cool DuPage initiative. The motioned is seconded by Commissioner Gregory and is unanimously approved.

B. Mural Funding and Installment/Strategic Plan –

Commissioner Gregory stated that the mural project proposal was given to Village Staff for review. She also raised concerns in regards to funding the project and the process of approval for future public art installations within the Village. Trustee Senak recommended that the Environmental Commission request funding for the mural project during the 2017 budget process. The group discussed the various options and agreed to work with Village staff to request the mural funding as a single line item at a future Village Board Workshop.

7. Subcommittee Reports

A. Recycling Committee - NONE

B. Health, Wellness & Transportation Subcommittee – NONE

C. Sustainable Landscaping Subcommittee Report – NONE

D. Arts & Outreach Subcommittee Report – NONE

8. Other Business -

9. Chairman Report –NONE

10. Trustee Liaison Report – NONE

11. Staff Liaison Report – NONE

12. Confirmation of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment –

The next scheduled regular meeting will be held on September 15, 2015.

Respectfully submitted by:

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