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VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building: 2121 W. Lake Street
Hanover Park, IL 60133

Tuesday, January 25, 2011
7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Chair Robert Wachmuth called meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT:	Committee Members:	Rich Galor, Russ Hart, Tom Kehoe, Shari MacGregor, Kevin MacGregor, Billie Wang, Mike Wang, Robert Wachsmuth, Cerena Fischer (arrived at 7:11)
ABSENT:	Committee Members:	None
ALSO PRESENT:		Trustee Bill Cannon and Howard Killian, Public Works Director, Linda McCance Packham, Sister City Committee Chairperson, Maria and Gustavo Pineda, Sister City Committee, Arnulfo Flores, Sister City Committee, Macario Flores, Guest.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion by Mike Wang to move 7-d up to 3-a and accept agenda.

Seconded by Shari MacGregor.

Voice Vote:
All Ayes.
Motion Carried

3. PRESENTATIONS/ REPORTS:

3-a Donations to Charity

Shari MacGregor researched cause for charity for Sister Cities Committee. Linda McCance Packam – Valparaso, MX. Committee interested in project in Valpo. Introduced Sister Cities committee members present.

Shari MacGregor saw program on ecological disasters, small scale water purification – smaller project wanted. Looked for ideas (Trustee Cannon idea).

What are needs in Valpo? Environmental Committee flexible on ideas. Indigenous village surround city, Valpo in good shape, i.e., clean air? Coal mining by products, air, water, sanitary, wildlife.

Mike Wang – fundraising options – look at surrounding areas. Environmental Committee looking for help in indentfying problems.

Russ Hart solar ovens, green way of cooking - $150 to $200.

Books – where there is no doctor/dentist home diagnosis. Trustee Cannon - is need greater with either Sister City?

Sister City Committee can come up with some good ideas.

Billie Wang – when can they come back? February 22nd or March meeting? Sister City Committee to contact Public Works if questions in the mean time.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Billie Wang to approve minutes of November 26, 2010. Seconded by Rich Galor.

No discussion.

Voice Vote:
All Ayes.
Motion Carried.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

None

6. TOWNHALL SESSION:

None

7. OLD BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):

7- a. Rain Garden Grant - Update

Grant has been submitted – waiting for answer – April.

7-b. Bee Hives - Update

Met with Greg Gates head of Beekeeping toured the Bayside site. Discussed concerns, could hold 20 to 30 initially could more; state would host classes for potential beekeepers. Village hold harmless agreement. Other towns – illegal – livestock.

Billie Wang –
How close are houses? Bees fly 4/5 miles away. Honey bee's dormant under 50 degrees. Woodchips on ground – 3 or 4 feet mowing. Future trees – shade on west side.

Bee Keepers insurance – 2 hives per person. Hanover Park residents – first dibs.

Service to Village – own phone number – swarm removal; each hive will produce 70 – 300 pounds per season. School Educational/Boy Scouts opportunities, observation hives.

Present at full Board Meeting on February 17th.

Shari MacGregor motioned to approve and Russ Hart 2nd.

Shari MacGregor - keep it low key first year. April/May start up of hives. 3 hives of their own. Research for state.

Russ Hart – farm collapse.
Presentation – why is this needed!

Trustee Cannon – Bee Cam – understand it is experimental.

Community Development – number of hives in ordinance?

7-c. 2010 Environmental Award – Update

Reception award on Friday – teacher at Westfield Middle School.

7-d. Donations to Charity

Food pantry donations; local grown/local consumed.

7-e. Christmas Light Recycling

Howard updated committee.

7-f. Budget

Mike will check on free battery recycling.

8. NEW BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):

8-a. 2011 Schedule of Events

8-a.1 River Sweep – May 21st – Saturday 20th anniversary. Where should we do it? Volunteers – Walgreens/Boy Scouts/Chamber/Sue George – Conservation Foundation.

8-a.2 Storm Drain Stenciling
Rich headed it up. Still in areas. Do we do it again? Dates conflict with Schaumburg event (23rd); 16th or 30th.

8-a.3 Recycling Event
September 17th is our event. Talk to Hoffman Estates on paint recycling.

8-a.4 Other
None at this time.

8-b. Member Reports

8.b.1 Cerena Fisher
Green items in police building question.

8-b.2 Rich Galer

None

8-b.3 Russ Hart
None

8-b.4 Tom Kehoe
Change website name of committee – Sister City Committee.

8-b.5 Shari MacGregor
Website Update.

8-b.6 Kevin MacGregor
None

8-b.7 Robert Wachsmuth
Speaker phones.

8-b.8 Michael Wang
None

8-b.9 Billie Wang
None

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Kevin MacGregor to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Seconded by Shari MacGregor.

Voice Vote:
All Ayes.
Motion Carried.