



**VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

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

**Tuesday, September 28, 2016**  
**7:30 PM – Room 214**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

Robert Wachsmuth called meeting to order at 7:29 PM.

PRESENT:                    Committee  
                                  Members:    Rich Galer – arrived at 7:35  
   Russ Hart  
   Kevin MacGregor  
   Robert Wachsmuth

ABSENT:                    Committee  
                                  Members:    Tom Kehoe  
   Gabrielle Wilson

ALSO PRESENT:        Trustee Jon Kunkel  
   Karen Daulton Lange

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

Motion by Shari MacGregor to accept Agenda.

Second by Kevin MacGregor.

Voice Vote:  
All Ayes.  
Motion Carried.

**3. PRESENTATIONS/ REPORTS:**

None Scheduled

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Shari MacGregor to approve Minutes of July 26, 2016 with correction under 8.b. Name of contact at Hanover Highlands School is Mr. VanDeSample. Second by Kevin MacGregor.

Voice Vote:

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Russ Hart to approve Minutes of August 23, 2016.

Second by Kevin MacGregor.

Voice Vote:

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

**5. ACTION ITEMS:**

None

**6. TOWNHALL SESSION:**

None

**7. OLD BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):**

7-a. Maxwell Street

Gabriella and Jon attended. Gave away 35 oak trees from MWRD.

7-b. Milkweed Plants

No comment.

7-c. Recycling Event

Overall success. There were 325 cars (down from previous year, but good).

Liked layout, low key. Some Carol Stream residents came because their water bills said we were taking electronics. Bob will talk to Hanover Park Township about future recycling of electronics. PW guys were fantastic.

Russ and Rich thought the event turned out good.

**NEW BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):**

8-a. 2016 Environmental Award

Article in HiLighter. Speak to businesses if you know who would be eligible for the award.

8-b. Pumpkin Collection

Not for this year; it's too soon. Bob is going to ask SCARCE. Bob went over info from SCARCE website about pumpkins. Maybe work with a school.

Shari will send Karen information about pumpkin recycling for a future e-News.

8-c. River Sweep

Scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup> (rain date October 15<sup>th</sup>). Shari suggested getting volunteer list together. Do we have a boat? Maybe the Park District will help. Karen will send out an email about Habitat clean-up. Will meet at Memorial Park (by Water Treatment Plant) to help at 9:00 AM to Noon. Check website to see if it's cancelled for rain. Will need waivers, gloves, bug spray, pickers.

8-d. Schaumburg Environmental Fair – May 20, 2017

Bob will contact Martha at Schaumburg.

8-e. 2017 Meeting Dates

No meeting on November, 2016 or December, 2016.  
No meeting on December, 2017.

8-f. Trustee Liaison Update

Trustee Kunkel attended the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Meeting.

IEPA is the lead agency and needs to figure it out.

If we have recycling event that collects electronics we have to check Hanover Park Residents due to new laws that "limit" the amount the haulers can take.

8-g. Staff Update

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Environmental Committee met on September 27<sup>th</sup> at the Kane County Government Center. The topic was electronics recycling crisis. Representatives of solid waste agencies and counties will discuss proposed solution and legislative strategies. Unfortunately, staff was unable to attend as planned but will share meeting notes when available.

The MWRD rain barrel program is still going strong. To date, 120 residents have requested 292 rain barrels.

The FY17 Budget Process is well on its way. It's a zero growth budget and staff has been asked to make cuts in all program areas.

Questions to be answered for staff to get a better understanding:

- History of the Apiary, including how it came to be?
- How many private hives?
- What happens with the honey collected?
- Why is there a batter recycling line item in the budget? (It was removed).

- 8-h. Shari suggested maybe the Environmental Committee can get out of the electronics business since we didn't have this month. The conclusion was to wait and see what happens.

Rich will be working on the rain garden soon.

Pear tree planted at school on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Two cherry trees at Hanover Highlands School.

Kevin met with a woman who is researching native pollinators. Also spoke with Bartlett about setting up community apiary.

Bob went to Sustain DuPage Environmental Meeting in August; see web page.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Kevin MacGregor to adjourn at 8:42 PM.

Second by Shari MacGregor.

Voice Vote:

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.