



Batavia Environmental Commission
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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA
Wednesday, June 12, 2019 7:00 p.m.
Alderman's Room

1. Call to order/Member and Guest Introductions

Members present:

Carolyn Burnham, Emma Cole, Andrew Greenhagen, Anna Bakker, John Kennedy

Volunteers/Special Guests present:

William Koehl, Laurie Hanson, Alex Zelles, Hailey Lamb, Michael Willuweit

Absent:

Andrea Podraza

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Approved and sent.

3. WellBatavia Review

Found possible interested member (Alex!), made a connection with Fruitful Yield, and it was fun/productive to work with HC Storm.

Issue with the recycling display and accessibility, probably would have been difficult with space as well. Communication with police may be necessary in the future, in order to ensure accessibility.

4. Wildflower Walk Date: Emma

We are looking at Thursday, August 1st.

5. State of Illinois EV Registration Fee: Michael

No longer a decreased license plate registration for electric vehicles. EV owners do not pay gas taxes, but do pay electricity taxes. Possibility= tax on fast chargers. Legislators need to be educated on the benefits of electric vehicles. BEC can try talking to Karina Villa at a certain point.

6. Green Business Award Flyer: Emma

If anyone has any ideas for the flyer, let Emma know!

7. Fox Valley Climate Forum: Andrew & Bill

September 19th at 7:00. Needed: presenters, ideas. Sort of like a candidate forum, where presenters will briefly speak and then answer questions.

Is the BEC interested in co- sponsoring? Yes- we can offer moral support, suggestions, ideas. John will look into finding a space for this event.

8. Budget: Andrew

\$500 for Green Night Out at the Movies.

Carolyn is working on tent pricing (~\$800). Would be convenient to have BEC logo on it. John has one we can borrow, but it may be too big.

Anna's restoration projects- \$500/year, city will need an itemized list.

Marketing/Facebook ad budget- \$100 per event.

Possibly new t-shirts??

Environmental signage around town would be nice. John will ask about whether this can be done pro bono. Possibly even signs at City Hall.

2019 budget is around \$2,000.

9. BHS Pond Restoration and Fabyan South Update: Anna

\$703.22 grant from Batavia Mother's Club for the HS pond project.

Workday on Tuesday, June 25th from 6 – 8 p.m.

Fabyan South has a population of wild orchids, thanks to the restoration work!

10. Website Development: Carolyn & Laurie

Laurie and Carolyn are working on content. They are open to ideas of how much we would like on the page.

11. Green Event Involvement/volunteers: Emma

BEC Volunteer Signup <https://tinyurl.com/VolunteerBEC>

Emma will add the wildflower walk once it is set. Let her know what else to add!

12. Open Discussion

Discussion of a park issue between Michael and John.

13. Adjournment