



Batavia Environmental Commission
CITY OF BATAVIA
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AGENDA

Wednesday, October 13, 2021 7:00 p.m.
<https://cityofbatavia-net.zoom.us/j/92099462958>

1. Call to Order

2. Member and Guest Introductions

Members: Andrew Greenhagen, Michael Willuweit, Andrew Deitchman, Carolyn Burnham, Emma Cole, Andrea Podraza, Alex Zelles, Gary King

Guests:

Absent:

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Approved and sent.

4. Fox River Dam

Option B was chosen by survey results and is fairly expensive. Water quality and fish mobility are a concern for the BEC as well as other environmental activist groups. As such, Batavia Environmental Commission supports the removal of the dam and will work on a statement of our position.

5. Big Trees

Alex is working on the website to help get the program rolling. She is also working on a tutorial to help people understand how to nominate. Although official training has not happened yet, we can still get the program up and running in the meantime. Alex will be sending materials to Carolyn to send out on social media.

6. Green Business Award

The BEC looked over the new, simplified application and made some adjustments. Emma will be getting a timeline from the Chamber of Commerce and will work on getting the word out so applications start coming in.

7. Regional Climate Plan

This resolution was brought to City Council and it was universally approved. The strategic plan will need to be revised to meet this resolution. They will be discussing what this looks like for Batavia.

The BEC is interested in being involved in some way and is very enthusiastic about this resolution and Batavia's involvement.

8. Open Discussion

Andrew Deitchman is interested in working with the Bicycle Commission on some changes to the rules of the road for bikers.

The single-use bag issue is back on the table, now that life is slowly returning to normal! Andrew will put Alex, Emma, and Carolyn in contact with some people from St. Charles that are working on the same project.

Work days and Battle of the Brush Pile are hopefully going to return in the not-too-distant future.

9. Adjournment