

## **Lindenhurst Environmental Activity & Education Commission**

Minutes

February 11, 2015

Lindenhurst Village Hall

1. Roll Call and Introductions
  - a. Chair Forsberg recognizes quorum and calls to order at 18:40
  - b. Melissa Forsberg, Ken Andersen, Joyce Dever, Vivian Protine, Tracy McGrath, Sandy Calanca, Volunteer AJ - Lakes High School Representative
2. Meeting Minutes
  - a. Mbr Andersen to approve meeting minutes Mbr Protine seconds; all in favor motion passes
3. Finances
  - a. 2015 Budget
  - b. Bookmarks purchased from 2014 budget and received. Use of new vender allowed for quantity of 600 vs 500 and still coming under \$10.00 below remaining allowance. No escrow was used
4. Clothing & Textiles
  - a. Suggestion for advertisements (banner) at the Lindenhurst Park District. 2 year commitment cost \$500. Ie. Earth day, Plant exchanges and Textile Recycling and Reuse-A-Shoe. Other ideas to generate funds for signage
  - b. Proceeds from collections of Textiles and Shoes will go into a 'Green Fund' to be used for green purposes. I.e. Rain barrel reimbursement would come from this fund
  - c. Shoe Recycling Coordinator: Mbr Calanca has volunteered. Shoes to be stored in the Village Works garage. Shoes to be labeled and weighed. Ask Rob to drop off shoes to Swalco. Forms to be filled out for processing of shoes in April. Melissa to check with Merleanne for clarification for types of shoes
  - d. Include pictures on our web page showing the Shoe Round up in April
  - e. Girls Scouts are moving forward with their shoe collection contest. The Girl Scouts will bring the collected shoes on Earth day
5. St.Patricks Day Parade
  - a. March 14, 2015
  - b. Attending: Tracy M, Sandy, Melissa, Ken, Joyce
  - c. 300 Bags, flyers, and seed stakes to be assembled were dropped off by Mbr Calanca at Village Hall for Brownie leader to pick-up
  - d. Mbr Ask to order candy
6. Earth Day Event
  - a. Rain Barrel/Compost Sign(Dawn)
  - b. Suggested to EAEC to purchase some inventory: Aerator, Kitchen Pail, Compost Bin, and Rain Barrel. Mbr Tracy M. suggest buy 1 of each to promote May sale and raffle off during Earth day. (Sell raffle tickets toward Aerator, Kitchen pail, compost bin, Rain Barrel) A sign-up sheet for May sale will be available. Chair Forsberg to speak with Merleanne further
  - c. Update vendor list
    - i. AJ to speak with the fire dept. volunteer basis?

- ii. Lake Villa library will participate
  - iii. Mbr Andersen: Park District, Police Dept. and Water Dept. will participate
  - iv. Tom Weber – Mbr McGrath to follow up
  - v. Illinois Arborist – Mbr Andersen to follow up
  - vi. Lake Commission Ken Funk – Mbr Andersen to follow up
  - vii. Ad-Lib – Mbr McGrath to follow up
  - viii. RJB – Mbr McGrath to follow up
  - ix. People’s Choice- Mbr McGrath to follow up
  - x. Cartridge World – Mbr Calanca to follow up
  - xi. Lindenhurst Animal Hospital – Mbr McGrath to follow up
  - xii. Heavenly Horses - come off list
  - xiii. Boy Scouts – Mbr McGrath to look into
  - xiv. Natural Green Experts – Mbr Protine
  - xv. Lake Forest Health Club – Mbr Dever to follow up
  - xvi. New Day Care (?) – Chair Forsberg to follow up
  - xvii. 9-Rounds – Chair Forsberg to follow up
  - xviii. Orphan of the Storm – remove from list
  - xix. Save a pet – Chair Forsberg to follow up
  - xx. Peace Pole – Mbr Protine to follow up
  - xxi. Shag bark – Chair Forsberg to follow up
  - d. Amber Berkey – balloon vendor to participate to sell balloon creations
    - i. Amber Berkey’s mom wants to sell baked goods. Due to conflict of free food already being provided, Mbr Calanca suggest that sample baked goods are used as a promotion for her future events
  - e. Lake HS – AJ to come up with other activities –
    - i. Water Sense to take on some of the responsibility
7. Water Sense Initiative - Continue information gathering –
    - a. Waiting on signing up volunteers – due to ‘no controlled environment’.
    - b. Educational - reduce timers on sprinkler systems and water tower levels / day in the life of a rain drop
  8. Order food three day prior
  9. Order trees for replacement for Art and purchase tree for planting to honor – Tom Lippert. Purchase from Menards container trees take from escrow. Ken to pick-up.
  10. Bingo Prizes - use up leftovers from last year and look into additional prizes and cost – Nut hunt prizes - Mbr Trace to get from vendor misc. toys
  11. New vendors – Mbr Ken to check with Lions Club, Mbr Melissa to check with Lindenhurst Animal Hospital and Door to Door Organic
  12. Contact Rob about Earth Day Event
  13. Prizes for raffle – collecting email, and donations – open door to raffle from vendors follow up
  14. Flyer made up to be inserted to reusable bags give away during St. Pat’s parade
    - a. Include vendor names on hand outs at Earth Day
  15. Advertising for new members and volunteers
    - a. Include descriptions for volunteers and members

16. Lakes High school possible to walk in parade with the commission.
17. Plant exchange signs – Lakes completing. Possible games for kids – mosquito trap and self-watering plants – hands on descriptions and explanations.
18. Save the dates – All Wednesday's in April leading up to Earth day
19. New Business –
  - a. Mbr Trace - craft fair, possible fundraiser – Revisit for further discussion after Earth Day
  - b. Trustee Tracy confirms name change from 'Environmental Activity and Education Commission' shorten to 'Environmental Commission'
  - c. Mbr Vivian request a leave of absence for three months starting March 2015- June 2015
20. Meeting closed at 19:30 Motion made by Mbr Ken and Mbr Trace second, all in favor motion passes