

**Village of Oak Park
Environment & Energy Commission – Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2018**

Location: Village of Oak Park Village Hall Room 124

Attendees: Nick Bridge (Chair), Townsend Bailey (Commissioner), Scott Friesen (Commissioner), Elizabeth Judson (Commissioner), Hanna Kwiecinska (Commissioner), Stephen Morales (Commissioner), Thomas Cmar (Commissioner) Marynda Agnew (Sustainability Coordinator and Staff Liaison)

Call to Order: 7:00pm – The June 12, 2018 meeting of the Village of Oak Park Environment & Energy Commission (EEC) was called to order.

- Mindy Agnew distributed the agenda and minutes. Minutes were reviewed and discussed by the committee members.

MOTION: Nick Bridge made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Townsend Bailey seconds the motion. No Further Discussion. Motion carries.

Agenda Item: Chairperson's Report

- Chairperson Nick Bridge watched the Village of Oak Park June 11, 2018 Special Board Meeting and commented favorably on the progress of renewable energy discussion and planning. The primary discussion topic of this meeting will be the EEC's feedback requested by the Village Board on the staff renewable energy recommendations.

Agenda Item: Village of Oak Park Renewable Energy Recommendations and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)

Mindy introduced consultant Mark Pruitt, Principal of Illinois Community Choice Aggregation Network. Mark joined the Q&A discussion on Renewable Energy Recommendations and Oak Park's Energy Aggregation status.

Agenda Item: Public Comment

- None

Agenda Item: Discussion / Action

- Review the A-G Renewable Energy recommendations presented and discussed at the June 12 Board of Trustees Special Meeting.
- A Day In Our Village EEC table and survey feedback.
- Cancel the scheduled July 3 EEC meeting and move to a Special Meeting July 10 at Village Hall Room 124.

MOTION:

Townsend Bailey made a motion to include the following EEC feedback on Items A-G of the Renewable Energy recommendations requested by the Village Board.

Objectives:

1. Provide the most Greenhouse Gas reduction per dollar spent or the most kWh production (for energy generating projects) or reduction (for energy saving projects) per dollar spent
2. Seek to maximize the access/benefit to as many Oak Park residents as possible. This could be achieved via:
 - Reducing utility cost for all
 - Reducing Village or other Taxing Body (D97, D200, PDOP) operating costs - producing tax savings for all

Preferences:

- Support initiatives E & F
 - This includes supporting a % limit for F with revolving loan for implementation and guidance for low income to ensure access.
- Substitute A&B with other Village Roofs or other taxing authority roofs (D97, D200, PDOP)
- Explore G at a smaller scale (open to both solar & wind)
 - Compare additive options & options within region
- Recommend approving a PACE program (requires no funding) to support private sector funding of renewable energy projects.
- Lower the weighting on calendar (we don't need implementation in 2018, just clear progress, such as a signed contract)
- Increase weighting on sustainability and economics or replace with a measure of kWh produced or saved per dollar spent.

No further discussion. Motion carries.

MOTION:

Stephen Morales made a motion to invite the 12 resident attendees from A Day In Our Village survey interested in the Environment and Energy Commission to the next July 10, 2018 EEC meeting. No further discussion. Motion carries.

MOTION:

A motion was made to adjourn, Stephen Morales seconds the motion. No further discussion. Motion carries.

The June 12, 2018 meeting of the Environment & Energy Commission was adjourned at 8:30pm.