# VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF SUSTAINABILITY AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 7:00 P.M. Village Hall Board Room 40 East Center Avenue

#### AGENDA

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Consideration of the January 25, 2017 Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee (SEC) Meeting Minutes
- 4. Non-Agenda Items and Visitors (Public Comment)

The Co-Chairs will allocate fifteen (15) minutes during this item for those individuals who would like the opportunity to address the Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee on any matter not listed on the agenda. Each person addressing the Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee is asked to limit their comments to a maximum of five (5) minutes.

### 5. Order of the Meeting

The Co-Chairs will entertain requests from anyone present on the order of business to be conducted during the Meeting.

#### 6. General Business

The Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee will entertain requests from anyone present to modify the order of business to be conducted.

- a) A Discussion with Dr. Robyn Walter Regarding Backyard Chicken Keeping.
- b) A Discussion with Lake Bluff Girl Scout Troop 40459 Regarding Recycling Efforts.
- c) Review Draft Beekeeping Pilot Program.
- d) A Discussion Regarding an Upcoming Report to the Village Board.
- 7. Village Staff Report
- 8. Member's Report
- 9. Co-Chair's Report
- 10. Adjournment

R. Drew Irvin Village Administrator

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# VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF SUSTAINABILITY AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

# **January 25, 2017**

## **DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

# 1. Call to Order

The Village of Lake Bluff Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee (SEC) met on January 25, 2017 in the Village Hall Board Room (40 E. Center Avenue) at 7:00 p.m. and the following members were present:

# 2. Roll Call

Present: Marian Carney Puryear, Co-Chair

Brian Rener, Co-Chair

Emmet Brady (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)

Liz Leutwiler Anne Sorensen

Absent: Jill Danly

Nan Patterson

Also Present: Drew Irvin, Village Administrator

Franco Bottalico, Administrative Intern

# 3. Approval of the November 30, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Co-Chair Puryear moved to approve the November 30, 2016 SEC Meeting Minutes. Member Leutwiler seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

# 4. Non-Agenda Items and Visitors

Co-Chair Rener stated that the SEC allocates 15 minutes for those individuals who would like the opportunity to address the SEC on any matter not listed on the agenda.

There were no requests to address the SEC.

# 5. Order of the Meeting

There were no requests to change the order of business.

# 6. General Business

# A. A Continued Discussion Regarding the Prioritization of Goals/Tasks.

Administrative Intern (AI) Bottalico introduced this agenda item. He gave an explanation of the condensing of the list and other actions that were taken by the SEC. He explained where the SEC was at in developing a sustainability goal in regards to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's toolkit.

Member Leutwiler commented on how the SEC will justify the order of the prioritization list. AI Bottalico advised when this list is approved, the Village can add its justification

in the communication tools the Village currently uses.

Co-Chair Rener inquired when we can present this list to the Village Board. AI Bottalico advised the SEC can present it to the Village Board during their COW meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

AI Bottalico advised that he combined the Chicken and Bees pilot program together due to the current work the SEC is making towards those two goals/tasks.

Co-Chair Puryear moved to approve the prioritization list and forward it to the Village Board of Trustees for their review. The motion was seconded by Member Sorensen.

# B. Review of a Draft Beekeeping Pilot Program

AI Bottalico advised he made the revisions concerning less regulation to the beekeeping pilot program that the SEC wanted from its last meeting.

A discussion ensued regarding other municipalities' beekeeping ordinances and best practices for the SEC to explore going forward.

Co-Chair Rener expressed his concerns over the new modifications. He stated he would rather be more cautious with the pilot program, with regards to number of hives per property, and requiring beekeepers to register with the Village.

A discussion ensued inquiring if the pilot program should require fencing or hedges/vegetation as a fly away barrier around the beehive.

Co-Chair Rener expressed his concern of protecting the bees from youths who may possibly damage the hives/bees. He also stated that renewals of beekeeping registration should be added in the language as a way to make sure the hives are properly kept and the beekeeper is using best practices. He also expressed favoring a barrier or some type of fencing/barrier around the hive(s) if a resident has an open yard for safety reasons.

A discussion ensued regarding possible allergies to bees.

Member Sorensen stated she finds a hedge to be more aesthetically pleasing and should suffice.

Co-Chair Puryear commented on the language of a hedge to reduce the opportunity of them becoming nuisances.

Co-Chair Rener inquired on number of hives on a lot, and possibly lowering the amount of hives to provide a healthy environment for bees, and how many pilot sites will be allowed to be going on at once.

A discussion ensued if the pilot program will be Village-wide or on a case-by-case basis.

Village Administrator (VA) Drew Irvin commented that the SEC can create the pilot program where applicants will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. In addition, he stated because this is a pilot program the Village has more authority over picking and choosing which sites to approve.

Co-Chair Puryear inquired on the beehives' heights and if they can be placed on rooftops. AI Bottalico advised it should be placed in an area where it is easily and safely accessible for Illinois Department of Agriculture employees to inspect the hives.

Co-Chair Rener stated that he'd like to keep signage that states "bees on the property" if there is a hedge/fence around the hives that the SEC would approve.

The SEC agreed that the beekeeping pilot program would be valid for two seasons/years before evaluating it for a possible ordinance.

Co-Chair Rener commented on the number of hives per property.

Co-Chair Puryear stated she does not want to limit the number of hives per property. A discussion ensued.

Member Leutwiler inquired on public education for encouraging the attachment of bees on personal property by planting the proper plants. The SEC agreed this would be part of their public education efforts.

Member Sorensen inquired if requiring the beekeepers to educate themselves on the keeping of bees will be one of the requirements prior to participate in beekeeping. A discussion ensued.

Co-Chair Rener suggested placing a maximum of two or three hives per property unless approved by the SEC and/or Village Board of Trustees. The SEC agreed to set the number of hives at three and discuss the quantity of hives per applicant. If applicant requests more than three hives, then it will be on a case-by-case basis for review and approval by the Village Board of Trustees.

Member Brady recommended keeping the hives off of the ground to keep away from animals. He also stated that he agreed with keeping a convenient water source available for the bees in the pilot program's language.

Co-Chair Rener suggested that providing the Village with a copy of their Illinois Department of Agriculture beekeeping application could serve as proper notification to the Village. This would be a convenient way for the Village to keep track of hives in the Village.

Co-Chair Rener stated to require the hives be no less than 10 feet from any primary residence structure.

## C. Review of a Draft Backyard Chicken Pilot Program.

AI Bottalico introduce the backyard chicken keeping pilot program language.

Co-Chair Puryear commented that the sex of the fowl may be difficult to tell. Should the fowl be a rooster, language in the program should allow the keeper one week to find proper placement for the rooster, since they are not permitted.

Co-Chair Rener inquired if any other north shore communities have a similar ordinance. He also asked if the SEC can have an expert come speak and educate the SEC on the keeping of chickens and best practices. He also inquired if limiting the chicken quantity, similar to bee hive quantities, by acre size.

Co-Chair Rener asked if the SEC should limit this to eggs only, or for consuming the chickens.

Co-Chair Puryear described the benefits of keeping backyard chickens, and her experience with keeping of backyard chickens.

Member Leutwiler would like a speaker to educate the SEC on the threats of predators to the chickens.

The SEC agreed to have an expert speaker attend the next meeting to educate them on chickens prior to commenting on this pilot program.

# 7. Village Staff Report

VA Irvin updated the SEC on the Village Board's approval of a household waste contract with Groot. Beginning February 1<sup>st</sup> the Village will offer curb-side e-waste pickup. With this contract, Lake Bluff will be the first municipality in Illinois to provide collection of certain food scraps year-round.

VA Irvin stated that a limited waste program encourages residents to limit their waste to inside their cart, and if they were to have more waste they can choose a throw-as-you-paw program. In addition the Village will offer the flexibility to choose larger containers.

Co-Chair Rener added that an additional container for certain food scrapping will also be available.

A discussion ensued on the environmental benefits of food scrapping rather than using the garbage disposal.

VA Irvin concluded that Groot will also now be using an all compressed natural gas (CNG) fleet.

# 8. Member's Report

Member Sorensen has been in contact with the National League of Women Voters for Lake Bluff and Lake Forest with their environmental task force. They offer their support to the SEC in working toward a partnership.

# 9. Co-Chair's Report

Co-Chair Rener shared news articles on extreme weather that is of interest to the SEC with regards to resiliency, sudden extreme weather, emergency preparedness and SEC long-term goals.

A discussion ensued on the changing climate and how the SEC can prepare for this in the future.

# 10. Adjournment

As no further business came before the SEC, Co-Chair Puryear moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. Member Brady seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Franco Bottalico Administrative Intern

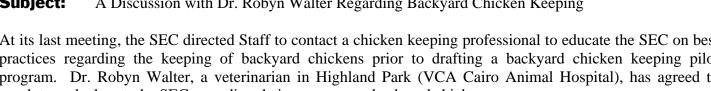
Date: February 17, 2017

To: Co-Chair Rener and Co-Chair Puryear and SEC Members

From: Franco Bottalico, Administrative Intern

Subject: A Discussion with Dr. Robyn Walter Regarding Backyard Chicken Keeping

At its last meeting, the SEC directed Staff to contact a chicken keeping professional to educate the SEC on best practices regarding the keeping of backyard chickens prior to drafting a backyard chicken keeping pilot program. Dr. Robyn Walter, a veterinarian in Highland Park (VCA Cairo Animal Hospital), has agreed to speak to and educate the SEC regarding their concerns on backyard chickens.



# **Attachment:**

Draft Backyard Chicken Keeping Pilot Program Outline.





# **Lake Bluff Draft Backyard Chicken Pilot Program Outline**

- 1.) Housing: All residential chickens shall be kept within a pen, coop, building or other enclosure sufficient in size and strength to confine such animals in the owner's property. A permit shall be obtained from the Village of Lake Bluff ("Village") prior to the construction, addition, or modification of any pen, coop, building or other enclosure used for the purposes of housing chickens.
- 2.) Zoning: All residents in the following Village Zoning districts are permitted to keep residential chickens on their property: C-E; E-1; E-2; R-1; R-2; R-3; R-4; and R-6. Permission for districts not listed here residents can submit a request directly to the Village Board.

# 3.) Restrictions:

- i. A maximum of eight (8) residential chickens shall be permitted on any property. Roosters shall be prohibited.
- ii. Residential chickens shall be kept in the rear yard (behind the home).
- iii. No pen, coop, building or other enclosure used for the purpose of housing chickens shall be erected or maintained within any ten (10) feet of any occupied residence other than that of the owner.
- iv. Every person maintaining a pen, coop, building, yard or enclosure for residential chickens shall keep such area clean and sanitary at all times. Any dirt or refuse resulting from the residential chickens shall be disposed in a clean and sanitary fashion.
- v. All feed for residential chickens shall be kept in containers that are rodent-proof until put out for consumption by the residential chickens.
- vi. Any pen, coop, or other structure used for the purpose of housing residential chickens that is not fully-enclosed shall be screened to a height of six (6) feet. Said screening shall be comprised of fences or walls six (6) feet in height, landscaping of at least seventy-five (75%) opacity, such as non-deciduous plantings, or equivalent screening and shall be located either along the perimeter of the lot where the pen, coop, building or other enclosure used for the purpose of housing residential chickens is located, or around the perimeter of the pen, coop, or enclosure itself.
- vii. No person and/or property owner shall be allowed to violate Title 4, Chapter 1 "Nuisances" of the Lake Bluff Municipal Code. Failure to adhere to these rules constitutes a nuisance under the Lake Bluff Municipal Code.

**Date:** February 17, 2017

**To:** Co-Chair Rener and Co-Chair Puryear and SEC Members

**From:** Franco Bottalico, Administrative Intern

**Subject:** A Discussion with Lake Bluff Girl Scout Troop 40459 Regarding Recycling Efforts



Recently, the Village has been contacted by Lake Bluff Girl Scout Troop 40459 regarding forming a partnership with the SEC in achieving certain goals/tasks. Ms. Katie Davis, a Lake Bluff Girl Scout Co-Leader, advised that Troop 40459 – made up of twenty-one 4<sup>th</sup> grade students – is currently working toward a year-long project titled "Agent of Change." For this project they have decided to reach out to the SEC in the hopes of expanding recycling efforts in the Village's Central Business District; specifically, adding additional recycling containers in front of various businesses.

Troop 40459 would like to discuss this matter with the SEC and the possibility of helping to raise funds for the purchase of the recycling containers. By assisting the SEC achieve some of their recycling goals they will have the opportunity to complete their "Agent of Change" project, and also earn their "Inside Government" legacy badge.

Staff has attached a quote of the recycling container found near the Village Green, and recommends the SEC and Troop 40459 consider this style container.

## **Attachment:**

• Recycling Container Quote From Public Works and Picture.



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**Revision Number: 1** 

Sales Quote Date: 03/31/16

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The Village at Lake Bluff

Jake Terlap

Public Works Building 640

Rockland Road Lake Bluff, IL 60044 **Customer No:** C017465

Phone No:

**Contact Name:** 

847-735-2310 Jake Terlap

Contact Phone No: 224-588-7804 Terms: Pending

Associate: Whitney Jones

Project Name: VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF

Project Location State: IL

Ship To:

Village of Lake Bluff Public

**Public Works** Jake Terlap

640 Rockland Road Lake Bluff, IL 60044 Ship Via: Contract Carrier

Ship Freight: Prepaid **Shipping Method: FOB Factory** 

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**Date:** February 17, 2017

**To:** Co-Chair Rener and Co-Chair Puryear and SEC Members

**From:** Franco Bottalico, Administrative Intern

**Subject:** Draft Beekeeping Pilot Program



Staff has created an outline of a draft beekeeping pilot program for the SEC to review, revise (if necessary), and consider forwarding to the Village Board.

# **Attachment:**

• Draft Backyard Beekeeping Pilot Program Outline with Attachments

# **Lake Bluff Draft Beekeeping Pilot Program Outline**

- **1.)** Locations: All residents in the following Village Zoning districts are permitted to keep domestic honeybees and hives on their property: C-E; E-1; E-2; R-1; R-2; R-3; R-4; and R-6. Permission for districts not listed here residents can submit a request directly to the Village Board.
- **2.)** The keeping of non-domestic bees is prohibited.
- 3.) Notification: Prior to establishing a hive, applicants must notify the Village by completing and submitting an application for beekeeping and proving proof they have registered with the Illinois Department of Agriculture. In addition, residents must submit written proof of notice to all adjacent property owners, in a form provided by the SEC (attached). Notification to adjacent property owners is not required for renewals by any applicant that previously complied with this notification requirement in receiving a prior valid beekeeping license from the Village, unless a new adjacent property owner has occupied residency since submission of the form to the Village ("Adjacent Property Owner" All persons or entities that own real property that share a property line(s) with the beekeeping applicant's property. Government owned property and/or utilities are not considered adjacent property owners).
- **4.) Registration**: All beekeepers must register their hives with the Village of Lake Bluff and submit proof that they have registered their hives with the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- 5.) Hives: All bees must be kept in inspectable type hives with removable combs, which must be kept in sound and usable condition. No more than one hive per residence shall be permitted. Hives shall only be permitted in a resident's backyard. Hives must be a minimum of five (5) feet from any property line and must be kept a minimum of ten (10) feet from any sidewalk or publicly designated path, primary residence, and if possible, kept out of view from neighbors and the public way. Hives may not be located in the front yard of a residence. Hives must be placed in locations accessible for inspectors to safely access on a routine basis. The maximum number of hives that may be located on a property is three (3) hives, unless determined by the Village Board.
- **6.) Fencing and hedges**: If the backyard of a residence does not have preexisting fencing, all hives must be enclosed by fencing or a hedge within no less than a 20x25 foot area with a secure gate, and signage warning of the presence of a bee hive on the property, and to act as a deterrent to accessibility from unauthorized person(s), children, or animals.
  - **Flyway barrier:** The beekeeper shall maintain a flyway barrier at least six (6) feet in height consisting of a solid wall, fence, dense vegetation or combination thereof that is parallel to the property line and extends ten (10) feet beyond the colony in each direction so that all bees are forced to fly at an elevation of at least six (6) feet above ground level over the property lines.
- **7.)** Water: Each beekeeper must ensure that a convenient source of water is available at all times to the bees so that the bees will not congregate at swimming pools or other water sources where they may cause human, bird, or domestic pet contact. The water shall be maintained so as not to become stagnant.
- **8.) Queens**: In any instance in which a colony exhibits unusually aggressive characteristics by stinging or attempting to sting without due provocation, or exhibits an unusual disposition towards swarming, it must be the duty of the beekeeper to requeen the colony. Queens must be selected from stock bred for gentleness and non-swarming characteristics.
- **9.) Maintenance:** It is the responsibility of the beekeeper to properly maintain and care for bees and the hives in a manner acceptable to beekeeping best practices.
- **10.) Nuisance**: No person and/or property owner shall be allowed to violate Title 4, Chapter 1 "Nuisances" of the Lake Bluff Municipal Code. Failure to adhere to these rules constitutes a nuisance under the Lake Bluff Municipal Code.



"Adjacent Property Owner" - All persons or entities that own real property that share a property line(s) with the beekeeping applicant's property. Government owned property and/or utilities are not considered adjacent property owners. Street Address of Beekeeping Applicant: Number of Hives on Beekeeping Applicant's Property: **Adjacent Property Owner:** BY SIGNING THIS NOTICE, I AM CONFIRMING THAT I HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF MY **NEIGHBOR'S INTENT TO KEEP BEES ON HIS/HER PROPERTY.** Name/Address/Signature of Adjacent Property Owner Name/Address/Signature of Adjacent Property Owner

If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Drew Irvin, Village Administrator 847-283-6883 and/or email dirvin@lakebluff.org.

**Date:** February 17, 2017

**To:** Co-Chair Rener and Co-Chair Puryear and SEC Members

**From:** Franco Bottalico, Administrative Intern

**Subject:** A Discussion Regarding an Upcoming Report to the Village Board

NORTH SHORE LIFE

In order to outline the SEC's report to the Village Board, Staff has created a draft memo for your consideration. It is anticipated that this memo will be forwarded to the Village Board for the Trustee's Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on February 27, 2017. The memo outlines the SEC's purpose, an overview of the SEC's recommended list of goals/tasks, and serve as point of discussion for the Village Board's thoughts on the inprogress beekeeping and backyard chicken pilot programs.

# **Attachment:**

• Draft Memo addressed to the Village Board of Trustees

# **MEMORANDUM - DRAFT**

**Date:** February 24, 2017

**To:** President O'Hara and Members of the Committee-of-the-Whole

**From:** Drew Irvin, Village Administrator

**Subject: Discussion Regarding the SEC's Progress** 



NORTH SHORE LIFE LAKE BLUFF STYLE

Established on October 26, 2015, the Sustainability and Community Enhancement Committee (SEC) is an advisory body to the Village President, Board of Trustees and Village Administrator. There are seven Members of the SEC that are appointed to advise Village leadership on ways to (i) improve the sustainability of the Village and (ii) enhance the community environment and beautification efforts for all current and future residents.

The following information summarizes the current duties and authority granted to the SEC pursuant to the Village President and Board of Trustees:

- Develop a Sustainability Plan that explores community goals and/or strategies relating to Social Equity, Energy Conservation, Climate Change, Economic Development, Disaster Mitigation, Public Health, Community Resiliency, and Green Energy Production;
- Develop a Village Beautification and Enhancement Program that addresses auto, pedestrian, and bicycle transportation routes. The Program should also provide beautification guidance and objectives on all Village-owned property;
- Examine the Village's progress in implementing the SWALCO Solid Waste 60% Recycling Task Force;
- Review the Village's stewardship role of certain natural assets (Skokie Conservation Area, Lillian Dell, etc.);
- Review and recommend Village regulatory modifications to further Village sustainability and beautification efforts;
- Review the Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan for alignment with Village sustainability goals and objectives; and
- Partner with other local, regional, state, or national groups, as it aligns with our specific objectives, when appropriate.

Over the past several months the SEC has held public meetings and has invited various professionals and experts to educate the SEC on certain topics. The SEC has received educational presentations and discussions regarding the following agenda items:

- A Presentation from Walter Willis, Executive Director of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, IL (SWALCO), Regarding Agency Activities and Mission;
- A Presentation from David Bedrin, Board Member of Green Minds Lake Forest-Lake Bluff, Regarding Agency Activities and Mission;
- A Presentation from Sandra Hart, Lake County Board Member and Lake County Sustainability Staff;
- Jill Lenihan, Secretary for the Lake County Beekeepers Association and Jess Ray, Former Mayor of Mettawa, IL to hold an educational and informative discussion on apiaries and common local regulations;
- A Presentation from Evonda Thomas-Smith, Director of the City Of Evanston's Health and Human Services Department, Regarding Evanston's Recently Amended Beekeeping Ordinance, and a Presentation on Beekeeping from Lisa Hilgenberg, Chicago Botanic Garden Horticulturist; and
- Recommended the Village Board Endorse the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' "Greenest Region Compact 2"

Currently the SEC has used U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainability Planning Toolkit as a guide in developing its sustainability goals. The SEC has recently completed Milestone 2 "Establish Sustainability Goals" and has created a prioritized list of goals/tasks to present to the Village Board. The list has been prioritized with respect to realistic goals and achievability. In this list the SEC has included a brief description of what each goal/task is, and has included an action and implementation strategy to achieve each individual goal/task. The SEC recommends the Village Board review the list of goals/tasks and offer any revisions, if necessary.

The first priority of the SEC is education. The SEC has agreed that education will be the Village's greatest tool in achieving public participation. The SEC has placed backyard chicken and beekeeping as its second priority due to the Village receiving requests by certain residents who wish to volunteer for these pilot programs. Attached are draft chicken and beekeeping pilot programs which have been developed from a blend of best practices and other comparable communities' ordinances. Before making any further revisions to the pilot programs, the SEC would like to receive feedback and guidance from the Village Board.

If approved the SEC will begin to work on Milestone 3 "Develop a Local Sustainability Plan." This requires the SEC and members of the community to collaboratively develop strategies and analyze potential measures to achieve these goals. At that time the SEC will recommend to the Village Board its final Sustainability Plan for their review.

SEC Members and Staff will be present to answer any concerns from the Village Board regarding the prioritized list and two pilot programs. In addition, a volunteer resident who wishes to participate in the beekeeping pilot program, Dr. Swee, will be in attendance to answer concerns from the Village Board regarding his property.

# Attachment:

- List of Goals/Tasks
- Draft Chicken and Beekeeping Pilot Programs