



**Conservation Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**September 2, 2021 7:00 P.M.**  
River Park

**1. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Members present: Joshua Liberatore, Chuck Hagner, Elisabeth Witt, Maggie Pipek, Caroline Kuebler, Meenal Atre, Linda Frank, Erin Povak, Matt McGovern (arrived at 7:16 p.m.), Bella Peaslee (arrived at 7:27 p.m.), and Henry Tomasiewicz (arrived at 7:09 p.m.)

Others Present: Assistant Village Manager Tyler Burkart, Trustee Wesley Warren

Not present: Pat Wilson, Donna Pollock

**2. Consider Approval of June 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Witt moved to approve the June 3, 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Liberatore. Vote 8-0 to approve the minutes.

**3. Discuss Citizen Concerns**

A resident reached out to a committee member inquiring about WE Energies for Tomorrow premium program involving renewable energy credits. Mr. McGovern provided some information on the program. There were other questions about how the Village selects which alleys qualify for green alley infrastructure. Mr. Burkart will forward previous agenda materials to the committee for their information.

**4. Staff Liaison Updates**

Mr. Burkart met with the WLGCC the past week. The group is having Shorewood as a non-member, which is a new status they are trying for municipalities who want to be engaged in the climate discussion but not fully able to commit to the requirements to apply. The coalition is currently working on a press release to be distributed talking about the coalition's efforts to address climate change. Mr. Liberatore expressed hesitation for continuing this commitment if the Village doesn't move forward with a resolution with energy and conservation goals. Based on a request from Ms. Frank, WisDOT is going to let the Village know some of the cost and engineering implications for incorporating green infrastructure components to the Lake Drive reconstruction. The Village has yet to receive a response to this request. WisDOT just completed parking counts in the month of August. There was a question about if the MMSD grant funds have been committed yet to any projects in 2026. In addition, the committee inquired if there would be room for bioswales and other green infrastructure in between the sidewalk and roadway. Mr. Burkart will respond back to the committee on these questions and recommended an alternative approach to have a few committee members meet with staff more on this topic. The Village Board will be considering a service agreement to perform a facility condition assessment for Village buildings. Shorewood Waters Project coordinating Fish and Feather Festival October 2. SWP wants to use event to make a push for the downspout disconnection program. A river cleanup will occur earlier at

Estabrook and Hubbard Parks. Mr. Burkart will ask the Parks and Public Spaces if they would like to co-host the event with the Conservation Committee.

**5. Discuss Fall Film Screening**

The anticipation was to have in November at the high school but they don't have dates available. The committee determined to pursue February as an option.

**6. Discuss Further Green Development Opportunities**

Mr. Liberatore announced the 3970 N. Oakland Ave. building bought by Dominion Properties is pursuing some green development concepts for their building. Mr. Liberatore shared the green development checklist with Ms. Algiers, who is working with Dominion Properties to initiate some of the suggestions.

**7. Subcommittee Reports**

No reports.

**8. Upcoming Events, Member Topics & Suggestions**

No report.

**9. Adjournment**

Mr. Tomasiewicz moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Liberatore. Vote 11-0 to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tyler Burkart  
Assistant Village Manager