

# Go Green Park Ridge May 2020 Members' Meeting Minutes

Date	Time	Location
05 May 2020	7:00 pm	Zoom Video Conference

<b>Facilitator:</b> Amy Bartucci	<b>Note Taker:</b> Tracey Edsey
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<b>Attendees:</b> Amy Bartucci Rob Bowe Tracey Edsey Cindy Grau Catherine Inserra Mark Kleinschmidt Lori Bartel Chris Parson Nan Parson	<b>Guests:</b>
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<b>Agenda: <u>Accounting</u></b> <b>Discussion:</b> Current funds are around \$1100.
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<b>Agenda: <u>Membership</u></b> <b>Discussion:</b> Mark reports that GG has 40 active members and 4 people expressed interest during lockdown. Mark will be in charge of sending out "new member" information email to new members. Since this is new, the "new member" email with reminder to pay dues will be sent to all current and future members at this time.
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<b>Agenda: <u>One Earth Film Festival</u></b> <b>Discussion:</b> Film fest was a success! Thank you Mark who organized the event on short notice. Thanks to all members who volunteered.
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<b>Agenda: <u>Reboot</u></b> <b>Discussion:</b> Last two Reboot meetings went over creating bylaws. May 20th is the most current revision. There will be only one kind of member (no more "virtual" members). All members will be asked to pay dues. All members can vote if they attend meetings. Due to social distancing, this could include attending realtime through video conferencing - still TBD. Mark suggests "attend meeting" to vote can be loose when added to bylaws. Electronic attendance at yearly board meeting was brought up. GG deliberating using Robert's Rules or another framework for meetings. This may not have to be added to bylaws.
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The **Board of Directors** will, from now on, be referred to as Officers. Who are the officers (President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer/Membership, & Communications)? Chris suggests 2 yr terms. Terms should be staggered (at least Pres. & VP).

**Initiatives**, from now on, will be called Committees. Current committees are: Nominating Committee (*Nominating Committee will be led by Catherine, Nan, Chris and Laurie*), Community Garden, SLURP, Schools (*split into D64 & D207. D207 group will manage high school internship. Lauren, Mary Allen, & Rita could be considered chairs for this high school connection*), NLC, Farmer's Market, Film Festival, & Waste Management.

Committee leaders will be called **Committee Chairs**. Should there be a formal procedure for Committees during yearly meetings? Committee Chairs provide leadership and report to Officers. Committees (formerly Initiatives) can be brought up to membership throughout the year. To be Pres. or VP a member should have 1 year experience as an Officer or have 1 year experience as a Committee Chair. If it doesn't work, the bylaws can be rewritten.

**EIN#** for money transfer should be one of the first things we do for non-profit status. We need to consult with member, Carol Sales. Nan & Cindy are now taking over Gmail communication with Amy. GG will continue to use Gmail. Nan recommends bylaws and agenda sent out to all members.

**Community Updates:** The term "liaison" will be used for members who communicate with independent groups outside of GG (ex. SPRiGS, Green Business, Chamber of Commerce, Park District, Sustainability Task Force, etc.). However, if someone wants one of these groups to become a formal Committee, and there is a "Chair", it can become a Committee. All present agreed to ask Carol to get things started for IL Not for Profit status ASAP. GG can always apply later for 501c3 or 501c4 (**edited to add:** within 60 days of EIN #).

**Agenda: SLURP**

**Discussion:** Nan will talk to SLURP group about doing it safely.

**Agenda: Community Updates**

**Discussion:**

Park Dist. Oakton will not be on referendum. Library parking lot plan postponed. Discussion about community gardens is in process.

Tue 12th Go Green IL via Zoom (Beth Drucker). If a GGPR member goes it would nice to have someone report back about what other groups are doing. GG Northbrook, Wilmette, Winnetka newsletters are good. They are the most active Go Green groups that send out newsletters.

May 19 Green Drinks via Zoom with guest Cam Davis. He will speak about storm water management. There will be a FREE rain barrel giveaway.

Sustainability Task Force GG was invited to be part of a community solar event/will partner with TF. Need to determine event (logo, info. etc.) up on one page...so it is not to be confusing to community? Meetings paused at present, but talk of virtual meetings.

Future GG Meetings GGPR will meet this summer. Next meeting is June 2, via Zoom @7PM.