

Go Green Park Ridge November 2018 Members' Meeting Minutes

Date	Time	Location
06 November 2018	7:00 pm	St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Facilitator: Amy Bartucci	Note Taker: Tracey Edsey
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<p>Attendees: Amy Bartucci Erin De Groot Tracey Edsey Cindy Grau Patty Hempel Mark Kleinschmit Rebecca Little Chris Paron Nan Parson Elizabeth Ryles Carol Sales</p>	<p>Guests:</p>
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<p>Agenda: <u>Available Balance & Last Call for Yearly Member Dues</u> Discussion: Balance \$1398.27 Dues can also be paid via Chase Quickpay: gogreenparkridge@gmail.com; checks can be made out to Amy Bartucci-Go Green Park Ridge and mailed to 530 N. Ashland Ave.</p>
<p>Discussion: <u>December Green Drinks and Member Meeting Cancelled</u> Agenda: Members voted to cancel DEC Green Drinks & DEC Member Mtg due to the holidays this year.</p>
<p>Agenda: <u>Election 2019</u> Discussion: GGPR is still accepting questions for the current candidates running in all local elections in 2019, please submit them to Amy. Current submissions are presently in draft form.</p>
<p>Agenda: <u>One Earth Film Festival Spring 2019</u> Discussion: One Earth has reached out to Amy and would like to come to Park Ridge again this year. We sponsored the event for \$250 last year. It was brought up to do the same this year through donations and/or fund raising. St. Mary's and The Pickwick both said they are willing to host films again. Still TBD.</p>
<p>Agenda: <u>Green Drinks</u> Discussion: FAiR is coming to January Green Drinks. February Green Drinks will be election/candidate related. Members discussed having environmentalist Mike Novak, the radio host, as a guest sometime this spring. Email other ideas for guests to Amy. <u>The December Green Drinks is cancelled.</u></p>
<p>Agenda: <u>Park Ridge Park District</u> Discussion: Cindy Grau will be running again this spring for Park Commissioner. It looks like the Park Ridge community garden at North Park will not happen this coming year. The PRPD will vote on the budget at their next meeting Nov. 15th @ 7pm Prospect Park, Wohlers Hall, 733 N. Prospect Ave.</p>
<p>Agenda: <u>Dist. 64/Natural Lawn Care</u> Discussion: Dist. 64 spent \$26,000 annually for TruGreen. The contract with the district is coming up for renewal. To cut costs, the district is looking to do as much as possible in-house to care for its green spaces.</p>

Presently they are looking at purchasing lawn care machinery. It is not possible to share machinery with the park district. It was brought up that the district should consider emissions "friendly" mowers, etc. UPDATE:
Vote: passed 4 - 2!

Agenda: Sustainable/Community Garden

Discussion: Nan reported the proposed community garden is still in the works at The Park Ridge Community Church. It will come before the parish council for a vote soon. It looks positive.

Agenda: SLURP

Discussion: Nan reported that the new Italian restaurant in the Pickwick building has said they will get back to her. It is a family run business, and they need to consult with the group, There had been talk about the D64 Science Olympiad committee and the straw structure. Mark will ask D64 to consider using paper straws for their building competition instead of plastic or consider a more sustainable event.

Agenda: Community Health Commission

Discussion: Tim spoke on behalf of Sol Smart at Go Green Illinois on 11/13. The city is on board with the recent Sol Smart program. Tim and Amy are working on a recycling and waste document to put on website with new aims at reducing recycling contamination.

Agenda: Youth Commission

Discussion: Commissioner and GGPR member, Rebecca Little reported that she is advocating that the high schools will go back to rental gowns for graduation instead of disposable.

Agenda: Bike and Walk Task Force

Discussion: The Mayor and Council recommend that the Bike Task force work is complete. There was mention that many in the group would like to continue with projects.

Agenda: Spokesman Submissions

Discussion: Amy Submitted info about FAiR for January.