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**Village of La Grange Park
Sustainability Commission – Minutes
Via Teleconference (COVID-19)
Monday, May 17, 2021**

The La Grange Park Sustainability Commission meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm on Monday, May 17, 2021.

1. Commission Chair Twickler called the meeting to order. Members include:

Donna Twickler, Commission Chair	Present	Laura McAllister	Present
Krista Grimm, Commissioner	Present	Kelly Burns	Present
David Mrazek, Commissioner	Present	Kathy Johnson	Present
Jeff Nee, Commissioner	Present		

Also present was Public Works Director Rick Radde, serving as Village Staff Liaison.

2. Chairman Statement

3. Confirmation that all Commissioners are present - Yes

4. Public Comment – None

5. Approval of Minutes – April 5, 2021, minutes were approved as presented. A roll call vote was taken, minutes passed unanimously.

6. New Business-

- Commissioner Johnson inquired about what can be done as a Village to increase recycling as the numbers are relatively low.
- John Jandak, Public Works Foreman, provided the Commission an update on the Butterfly Gardens and asked for volunteers to plant at the Edgewood Triangle on Tuesday, May 25, at 4:00 pm

8. Old Business-

- Priority Implementation – None
- Earth Day Virtual Events -
 - Virtual Events - April 8 - Choosing Native Trees: Kelly will present.
 - Virtual Event - April 15 – Kudos to Kathy and Kelly on the outstanding presentation. The Commissioners were hopeful for more participation.
- Green Spotlight Award
 - Congratulations to Melanie Dawe, a 22-year resident, for receiving the Spring 2021 nomination for the Green Spot Light Award. Commissioner Mrazek will formally recognize Melanie at the May 25 Board meeting.

- **Native Plant Tour –**
 - **There are three locations in La Grange for the Bike Tour, but possibly a few more. The question arose about the lead time in getting flyers out to the public – several weeks in advance. The date remains August 1, 2021, between 1–4 pm.**
- **SolSmart Designation Update -**
 - **Jeff provided that the required documents were submitted and at least a 2-week turnaround time to process and respond.**
- **Facebook Page Update -**
 - **The engagement was up, and the most popular was the post on Native Plants.**
- **Future Articles - Proper mulching techniques for trees. Rick, Kelly, and Laura to work on.**
- **Other – Commissioner Johnson asked about recognizing certain La Grange Park residents for their years of dedicated volunteer service for the Salt Creek Clean-up Day.**

9. Open Discussion – Director Radde proposed future meetings be held in person, all agreed.

10. Next Steps - None

11. Next Meeting Date – June 7, 2021, at 7:00 pm at the La Grange Park Village Hall.

12. Adjournment – Commissioner Grimm made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner McAllister seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Rick Radde
Village of La Grange Park
Director of Public Works**