

**Village of Gurnee
Environmental Sustainability Committee
Minutes**

DATE: June 6, 2025

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room A at the Gurnee Village Hall located at
325 N. O'Plaine Rd., Gurnee IL

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

- A. Karen called the meeting to order at approximately 3:30 p.m.
- B. Roll Call: Chair Karen Thorstenson, Brian Penticoff, Dan Helgren, Anya Polanski, Zoe Zweifelhofer, Meg Beckley, Matt Beckley, Debbie Hoselton, Jamie Boller, Sally Goldstein and Emily Mokrzycki
- C. Public in Attendance: Mayor Tom Hood, State Rep. Joyce Mason, SWALCO Recycling Coordinator Pete Adrian and Grace
- D. Officials in Attendance: Austin Pollack, Assistant to the Village Administrator

2. Approval of the May 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Meg made a motion to approve the minutes and Debbie made a motion to second it. The group approved the minutes.

3. New Business

4. Discussion Items

- A. State Rep. Joyce Mason Presentation on the Energy & Environment Committee
State Rep. Joyce Mason talked about her work on the Energy and Environment Committee, how Springfield works, her interest in the environment and the status of various environmental bills in the state legislature.
- B. Environmental Sustainability Committee Meeting Schedule Change
Austin and Karen proposed a new schedule change for the meetings to take place on the first Friday or every month for the remainder of the year. They provided that Karen's new job would work with that schedule and asked if the group was okay with it. No objections or concerns were stated.
- C. Warren Township and Gurnee Electronics Recycling Event
Austin stated that Warren Township and the Village of Gurnee will be partnering for an Electronics Recycling Event taking place on June 20th from 1pm to 7pm and June 21st from 9am to 12pm. He said that the Village decided to partner with the township since they would be having one around that time.

5. Public Comment

Pete Adrian from SWALCO discussed that the use of styrofoam packaging seems to be decreasing. Pete provided insight into various bills and programs throughout the state.

6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:39pm.