

ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Village Hall, Room 101

Commission Members Present: Steve Nations, Kathleen Odell, Daniel Becker, Darryl Baker, Tejas Shah, Cassandra West.

Commission Members Absent: William Obuchowski

Staff Present: Lindsey Roland Nieratka, Chief Sustainability Officer,

Guests: Carolyn Cullen, Katharine Hamerton

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Ms. Nieratka at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Selection of temporary chair:** Daniel Becker was selected to act as chair.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** A Motion was made to approve the agenda, and it was unanimously approved with no revisions.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** A Motion was made to approve the previous meeting minutes, and they were unanimously approved.
4. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
5. **Disposable Bag working session:**
The Commission reviewed the draft survey. A discussion ensued about the intention and needed information from the survey. The Commissioners discussed the question format and drafted text. Ms. Nieratka will compile a new draft and share with the Commission for future discussion.
6. **Nighttime Lighting Environment Report Review and Next Steps**
The Commission agreed they would like to see examples of communities other than Flagstaff. Staff will reach out to Ken Walczak for other examples. The Commission also would like to demonstrate the Village's leadership.
7. **Environmental Recognition Awards**
Representatives from West Cook Wild Ones presented their idea of the "Wildest Block" award. Ms. Nieratka introduced OP-CAN's interest in household recognitions. The Commission agreed to consider these as sub awards of the Green Award. The groups will submit proposals and criteria for approval at the June 3 meeting.
8. **Sustainability update**

Ms. Nieratka updated the Commission that they would be hosting an Energy Efficiency and Electrification Expo at the Farmer's Market on May 31.

9. **Adjourn:** At 8:13 p.m. a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.