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GROW Ecological Commission Regular Meeting Agenda

June 4, 2026 @ 6:30pm

Village Hall Board Room

1. **6:30 - Call to Order**
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Inspiration – (3 min) – Walt Wojcik**
 - a. Next Month 7/9/26:
6. **Review of Minutes – (5 min)**
 - a. 5/7/26 Minutes – Walt Wojcik
 - b. 6/4/26 Minutes - Demitrus Evans
 - c. 7/9/26 Minutes -
7. **Old Business**
 - A. **Quarterly Reports –**
 - i. Q4 – 2025: Nikki Way pending
 - ii. Q2 – 2026: Alex Silva
 - B. **Updates from Village Staff and Board Liaisons – (5 min) Annie Canavan, Evie Slavic**
 - C. **SBC Grant Proposals (2 min)**
 - D. **Commissioner Interviews (1 min)**
 - E. **Communications & Events (20 min)**

- a. Upcoming Event Support Needs
- b. Event & Education Outreach Proposals and Updates
 - Website updates (Alex Silva)
 - Summer events
 - 4th of July (Demitrus Evans)
 - Composting (Kari Roberg)
 - Tree Walk Proposal (Alex Silva)
 - Tabling Engagement (Kari Roberg)
- c. Newsletter
 - Finalize topics for August-December 2026

8. New Business

- a. Agenda items for next meeting

9. Commission Comments

10. Liaison Comments

11. Public Participation - *In order to give as many visitors as possible an opportunity to speak and in the interest of adjourning the meeting by 8:00 p.m., please limit your comments to 3 minutes in length, unless further time is granted by the Commission.*

12. Adjournment

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2026 Planning Calendar (One event per month, plan 3 months in advance)

Month	Event	Point Person	Date	Location	Status	Notes
Jan-26	<i>Save Money and Energy this Winter</i>	Liz	January 17 @ 9am	Village Hall Board Room	Completed	Event was recorded and placed on Village website
Feb-26						
Mar-26	<i>Share your Green Success Story</i>	Walt + Kari	March 28 @ 1pm	Village Hall Board Room	Completed	
<i>Tabling</i>						
TBD	SBC Field Trip (Commissioners Only)	Spring	Need Date		Approved	Can we take videos for the new media idea? - Nikki
Apr-26						
<i>Tabling</i>						
May - 26	Argonne Lab Tour	Mariana	May 7 @ 9am	Argonne Lab	Approved	
<i>Tabling</i>						
Jun-26						
<i>Tabling</i>	Juneteenth	Walt	June 20, 11am-4pm	Gladstone Park		Focus on composting
Jul-26	July 4 th Parade	Demitrus, Walt	July 4th			
<i>Tabling</i>	Party in the Park		Aug 1, 2-4pm	Community Park		
<i>Tabling</i>	Native Plant Education at GGG Garden Walk	Liz	July 18th			Follow-up needed
Jul 26	Tour Sustain DuPage	Kari	July 18, 1-2pm	Wheaton	Approved	Encourage attendees to visit Saving Monarchs event after
Aug-26	Home Electrification	Liz				Proposal pending

<i>Tabling</i>	National Night Out		August 4, 4-7pm			
Sep-26	Reusa - Palooza		Sept 19th/20th			
	Repair (and Collect?)-a-Palooza	Kari, Nikki	Sept 26th	Village Hall Board Room (and possible parking lot)	Approved	Planning in Progress
<i>Tabling</i>	Prairie Fest					
Oct-26						
<i>Tabling</i>						
Nov-26						
<i>Tabling</i>						
Dec-26						
<i>Tabling</i>						

Newsletter Calendar		
Month	Article Topic	Author
<i>Monthly</i>	Plant Based Recipes	Kari
<i>Monthly</i>	Monthly Green Fact	Walt
March 2026	Composting – SBC update	Nikki
April 2026	Earth Day Actions	Kari
May 2026	Native Plants / Wildlife	Alex
June 2026	Environmental Justice	Demitrus
July 2026	Water	Mariana
August 2026		
September 2026		
October 2026		
November 2026		
December 2026		

2026 Agenda Calendar (for reference)		
Month	GROW Business	Education topics
January	SBC Stipend Kick-Off	home efficiency
February	SBC Stipend; Energy plan feedback (overview other plans)	veggie comfort foods;
March	Energy Plan final recommendations and next steps	composting
April	Juneteenth + Fourth of July Planning	Earth Day actions
May	Party in the Park Planning	Native plants; wildlife
June	National Night Out Planning	water; plant-based meals
July		water;
August		electric vehicles; plant-based eating
September		reuse and recycling;
October		composting pumpkins;
November	Strategic Planning	sustainable holiday planning;
December	Strategic Planning	Native plants