Environment & Energy Commission

Minutes of the January 5, 2016 Meeting Village Hall Room 102

PRESENT: Commissioners: Nick Bridge, Carolyn Cullen, Hanna Kwiecinska, Andrew Basney

and Erin Daughton

ABSENT: Townsend Bailey, Alex Frank and Michael O'Rourke

STAFF: Karen Rozmus

The November 3 minutes were approved unanimously.

Chairperson Report: Chair Bridge reported that he attended a PlanItGreen meeting where the Village's Comprehensive Plan was discussed. Planner Craig Failor provided an update and reported that the plan's adoption may lead to some code amendments. Chair Bridge also stated that Elevate Energy wants to consult on local plans where possible.

Staff Reports: Staff report from Karen Rozmus was accepted.

Public Comment: None.

Discussion Items

A. Green Awards

Commissioner members agreed that the awards ceremony went well and was well attended.

B. Pesticide Awareness

Chair Bridge is waiting for comments from the Board of Health and then they will go to print.

C. Plastic Bag Ordinance

The updated flyers for business owners were distributed. A survey is online for business owners with a deadline of January 31.

D. Green Guides

Chair Bridge gave some information on the new Green Guides program being implemented by Green Community Connections and Seven Generations Ahead. The intent is to have volunteer "Green Guides" help disseminate environmental information to their neighbors.

E. Refuse Rate Review

Commission members reviewed information provided by staff on what rates are being charged in surrounding communities. Staff will send additional information and the annual refuse report for discussion at the February meeting.

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

None at this time.

Adjourn: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Rozmus