

**Village of Gurnee
Environmental Sustainability Committee
Minutes**

DATE: June 5, 2026

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

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

1. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

2. 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, Zoe Zweifelhofer, Anya Polanski, Emily Mokrzycki, Anissa Chaudhry, Meg Beckley, Angela Olivares, Matt Beckley, Rica Capa, Jamie Boller, Victoria Cortes, Grace Lian, Sally Goldstein
- C. Public in Attendance: None
- D. Officials in Attendance: Austin Pollack, Assistant to the Village Administrator

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. New Business

5. Discussion Items

A. Recycling Events:

- 1. Styrofoam Recycling – Saturday, June 6 from 10am to 1pm
- 2. Electronics Recycling – Friday, June 12 from 10am to 5:30pm

B. Gurnee Days/Parks Involvement

Austin and Karen met with Mike Szpylman, Executive Director GPD on May 28, 2026 to discuss the possibility of requesting volunteers to help cleanup after Gurnee Days. This may be considered for 2027 when we have more leadtime.

C. Food Scrap Program Discussion

Question if Gurnee could organize a Food Scrap Program. Gurnee may add this question on the next resident survey to obtain interest.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm.