



# DU PAGE COUNTY

## Environmental Committee

### Summary

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**Tuesday, April 2, 2024**

**8:30 AM**

**Room 3500A**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

8:30 A.M. meeting was called to order by Chair Sheila Rutledge at 8:30 A.M.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Other Board Members present: Member Yeena Yoo and Member Patty Gustin.

<b>PRESENT</b>	Covert, Cronin Cahill, Evans, Garcia, and Rutledge
<b>ABSENT</b>	LaPlante

**3. CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS - CHAIR RUTLEDGE**

Chair Rutledge shared information about the DuPage County 2024 Sign Recycling Event taking place on campus April 5, 2024 and April 6, 2024. Chair Rutledge encourages people to participate in the No Mow Movement until Mother's Day in our area.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

David Barcus, Dark Sky International, discussed the progress and benefits of a new Senate Bill, Outdoor Lighting Control Act, sponsored by Illinois State Senator Laura Ellman.

Catherine Franczyk, Environmental Chair for the Wheaton League of Women Voters and board member of the Upper Mississippi River Region, invited people to join the Healthy Communities - Our Water and Watersheds, partnering with DuPage County Stormwater Division, the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County, and SCARCE taking place on April 24, 2024.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.A. [24-1100](#)

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<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED
<b>MOVER:</b>	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Paula Garcia

**6. PARENT COMMITTEE APPROVAL****6.A. [EN-O-0001-24](#)****DuPage County Waste, Recycling, and Composting Hauler Reporting Ordinance**

Joy Hinz, Environmental and Sustainability Programs Manager, summarized the ordinance and answered questions from members. This ordinance supports the data that will measure residential and commercial composting, recycling, and waste in the County from every waste hauler effectively.

<b>RESULT:</b> APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
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**7. STAFF REPORTS****7.A. [24-1101](#)****2023 Waste & Recycling Annual Report**

Joy Hinz, Environmental and Sustainability Programs Manager, provided an update of the 2023 DuPage Waste and Recycling Annual Report. The 2023 DuPage Waste & Recycling Annual Report is generated as part of the County's role to fulfill the requirements set forth in the {Illinois} Solid Waste Planning & Recycling Act (415 ILCS 15/). The Act tasks counties with planning for disposal capacity, the management of solid waste, and reducing municipal solid waste generation. DuPage County's work in this area includes measuring composting, recycling, and waste generation rates on an annual basis. The County also assesses the activities at the state and national level in order to effectively implement these tasks.

**7.B. Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Update**

Joy Hinz, Environmental and Sustainability Programs Manager, updated the Committee on the status with the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant. \$4.6 billion was released by the U.S Environmental Protection Agency and with encouragement for coalition, DuPage County has looked into several application opportunities including with Kane County, Cook County/City of Chicago, and the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus.

**7.C. [24-1102](#)****2024 Document Shredding Event Update**

Austin Knight, Environmental Specialist, shared an update about the 2024 Document Shredding Program Event. DuPage County Environmental Division sent the 2024 Document Shredding Program solicitation to all local governments in the County, resulting in a response from 13 communities. The program offers local governments \$500 for an event, with Cool DuPage Partners eligible to receive an additional \$150.

**8. PRESENTATIONS****8.A. SCARCE**

Kay McKeen, Founder and Executive Director of SCARCE, presented a recap of the International Society of Sustainability Professionals (ISSP) gathering, teacher workshops, Illinois Counties Solid Waste Management Association (ILCSWMA), and Earth Flag Ceremonies. McKeen shared information about upcoming events for recycling, SCARCE, Glen Ellyn and Wheaton League of Women Voters, and Sustainable DuPage. McKeen also mentioned the educational programs at SCARCE that have reached nearly 3,000 students between the months of January and March.

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was discussed.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

Joy Hinz, Environmental and Sustainability Programs Manager, announced a reminder for the Starlight Sustainability Illuminating Eco-Friendly Business Practices webinar on Wednesday, April 3, 2024.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 A.M.