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Village Manager's Office

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Environmental Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Anchorage Park

Monday, Jan 5, 2026

6:00pm

1. Call to Order: Karen Marcus called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.
2. Roll Call:
 - Present: Karen Marcus, Kendra Zellner, Mary Phillips, Ellen Allen, Brian Bartels, Juliette Desfeux and Elizabeth Rivera
 - Absent:
 - Also Present: Julie Morrell Village Staff, Councilmember Lisa Interlandi
3. The Minutes of the Dec 1, 2025, regular meeting was approved.
4. Public Comments –
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5. Community Garden Update- President of the Community Garden advised that the garden cleanup is the 2nd Saturday of the month. Feb 7th at 6:30 is the Movie In The Garden. The movie is Enchanted. They welcome a discussion with MANG to explore options for growing mangroves. They have a waiting list for beds with one person on the list.
6. Golf Course Pesticides- Kendra connected Andrew from Seaweed Greens with Allan from the Golf course to test sargassum on the golf course.
7. Dry Storage Landscaping- Ellen will review the site plan and provide her insights.
8. Bat Houses- Julie reached out to Ashley regarding removing the old Bat Houses. Karen is requesting a schedule and to find out if Ashley needs our assistance.
9. Earth Day at Bird Village- Kendra provided an update on Earth Day. April 25th at 11 am. She is requesting volunteers. Kendra will email Ashley and Julie to follow up on the project status.

10. Code Enforcement for Environmental Concerns- Kendra advised that we recorded a video about the tree permit and we should see it get posted soon. Kendra recommended that we send a letter to local tree businesses advising them of our new code, along with letter to residents. Kendra will write a letter and send it to the committee for review.
11. Environmental Report at Anchorage Park- no update.
12. Volunteer board request- Julie said we have new volunteer requests. Mary requested that we communicate this volunteer board to residents.
13. Oyster Project- CCA will be picking up their supplies on Wednesday. Kendra advised that we still need to knock on doors to plan where we will install the next batch. Karen is recommending that Julie gets an inventory list of all the supplies. Karen advised that a condo is interested in the VOGs. The committee is planning to do the next build day on May 2nd.
14. Lakeside Park erosion and Mangrove Seeding- No update at this time.
15. Wind and heat vulnerability assessment- Karen is working with the resiliency office for Palm Beach County to get information and ensure communities are in sync.
16. Tree Preservation Permit- Karen will reach out to Chuck for next steps on code enforcement.
17. Residential Landscape Code- No update at this time.
18. Lead By Example- Juliette provided a recommendation list for consumables. Karen will schedule a meeting with Chuck.
19. Environmental Letter to Businesses- Julie advised that this would go to the Business Advisory Board.
20. Speaker Series: The Green Hour at the Clubhouse- The next speaker should be Loggerhead. Karen will contact Loggerhead to schedule for October 10th.
21. Previous newsletter was about recycling basics. The next newsletter will be about Tree Preservation.
22. Member Comment-
 - a. Karen advised that it's possible to use the NET money to install trees in the swale on Lighthouse.
23. Staff Comment-
 - a.
24. Next meeting- The next meeting will be on Feb 2nd, 2025 at 6:00 pm at Anchorage Park.
25. Adjournment- the meeting adjourned at 7:06pm.

