

DRAFT Record of Meeting
Citizen Involvement Commission
Wednesday, August 2, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.
Village Hall Room 130

Call to Order

Chair Troelstrup called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Frank Pond, Conrad Terry, Anne Warden, Erika Washington, Lance Taylor, Emily Masalski, and Chair John Troelstrup.

Absent: Commissioner Natalie Coon

Also present: Village Clerk Vicki Scaman

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Commissioner Warden and seconded by Commissioner Terry to approve the agenda for August 2, 2017 as presented. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Washington and seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the minutes from July 5, 2017 as presented. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Applicant Interviews

Chair Troelstrup welcomed the applicant, Preston Jones Junior. Mr. Jones interviewed for the Citizen Police Oversight Commission (CPOC). He introduced himself, shared his interest for serving the community in this capacity, and answered questions related to his relevant qualifications and experiences that would make him a good candidate for serving on the CPOC.

Clerk Scaman explained the next steps in the process for potential appointment to CPOC.

Reports

Administrative Report:

Clerk Scaman reported Natalie Coon had been appointed to the Citizen Involvement Commission (CIC) on July 17th but was unable to change her work schedule for this first meeting. She plans to make the necessary schedule changes to permit her to serve on the CIC. Sandra Carr is scheduled to be appointed in September to the Historic Preservation Commission along with Robert Taylor to the Transportation Commission. Clerk Scaman reviewed the open vacancies and took suggestions from the members of the commission for recruiting qualified applicants for openings.

Commissioner Masalski noted that she would ask two community members who may be interested in serving on the Civic Information Systems Commission; Ryan Abbott and Brian Trubbel. Clerk Scaman will share information on the Disability Access Commission vacancy to networks serving young people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Clerk Scaman mentioned that two additional candidates have come forward very recently; one for the Farmers Market and another for the Environment & Energy Commission.

Old Business

Clerk Scaman reported that recruitment ideas and options from the CIC July meeting were shared with the Village Communications team; David Powers and Joe Kreml. Mr. Kreml reported back that he would be willing to help the Commission make a short, social media ready video to use for recruitment. He asked that the Commission share 5 reasons for joining a commission. Commission members brainstormed the following thoughts to share with Mr. Kreml:

- Get Involved 7 Know your community
- Improve your community
- Meet new people
- Share what you know
- Learn about how Oak Park became the community that it is
- Learn about all that goes into being Oak Park
- Be a part of Oak Park now and for the future
- Help make Oak Park a better place
- Neighbors have your back

Clerk Scaman presented examples of OP FYI statements that have been used in the past. The Commission chose the third option with the addition that “some commissions require special skills while others just need a fresh perspective”. It was further noted that all ages and all groups are needed.

Clerk Scaman shared two versions of “Get Involved” flyers and a pamphlet to update for future use at events like Day in Our Village and the Farmers Market. The Commission decided on the more traditional flyer and noted that the pamphlet referenced commissions that no longer exist. Clerk Scaman noted that corrections would be made before printing.

New Business

Applicant discussion, decisions and recommendations:

The commission discussed the candidate interviewed.

It was motioned by Commissioner Warden and seconded by Commissioner Washington to recommend Preston Jones Junior to the Village Board for appointment to the Citizen Police Oversight Commission. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Pond and seconded by Commissioner Washington to adjourn at 8:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk