



**MEETING MINUTES
CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION
Monday, February 24, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL
Remote Participation**

I. Call to Order

Acting Chair Pond called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Village Clerk Scaman read into the record a statement that the Village President has determined that an in-person public hearing is not practical or prudent due to the COVID-19 outbreak during Governor JB Prizker's current disaster proclamation. It is also not feasible to have a person present at the public hearing due to the safety concern related to the COVID-19 outbreak.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Curtis Lott, Sandra Novack-Gottshall, Greg Kolar, Rebecca O'Brien, and Acting Chair Frank Pond.

Absent: Commissioner Conrad Terry.

Also present: Village Clerk Vicki Scaman and Deputy Village Clerk Christina Waters.

III. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Commissioner Novack-Gottshall and seconded by Commissioner Curtis Lott to approve the agenda as presented. A roll call was taken and the motion was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Curtis Lott, Sandra Novack-Gottshall, Greg Kolar, Rebecca O'Brien, and Acting Chair Frank Pond

Nays: none

IV. Public Comment: none

V. Approval of meeting minutes from December 14, 2020

It was moved by Commissioner Sandra Novack-Gottshall and seconded by Commissioner Curtis Lott to approve the minutes as presented. A roll call was taken and the motion was approved as presented. A roll call was taken and the motion was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Curtis Lott, Sandra Novack-Gottshall, Greg Kolar, Rebecca O'Brien, and Acting Chair Frank Pond.

Nays: none

Absent: Commissioner Conrad Terry.

VI. Applicant Interviews:

Diane Hughes

Diane investigated serving on the Community Relations Commission (CRC) as well as Community Development Citizen Advisory Commission (CDCAC). She shared that her personal experience living in Oak Park has been a positive one for her and her son and she would like to give back to her community. She believes her HR experience would be valuable for serving on CRC. After learning that CRC is in need of rebuilding members of the Citizen Involvement Commission (CIC) asked Diane to consider joining CIC to assist with rebuilding of CRC. Ms. Hughes will consider the invitation and revisit when she has had time to review her options.

VII. Reports:

Vacancy and Liaison Reports

Members of CIC discussed moving forward with recruitment for CRC. Acting Chair Frank Pond offered to reach out to CRC Chair Glenn Brewer to learn more from him what he sees the direction of the commission to be. After talking to Glenn Brewer, Mr. Pond will consider reaching out to members of CRC who had resigned and investigate the history of work done be CRC. The intention discussed was to understand the challenges related to recent resignations for CRC to inform a constructive process for recruitment.

Members of CIC discussed recruitment for commissions with the greatest need for new membership. Members discussed recruitment events as options; Day in Our Village, etc., and possible recruitment options using zoom or facebook. Rebecca O'Brien discussed setting up a google form to engage commission chairs for recruitment information. It was pointed out that this overlaps with the role of commission liaisons. It was also noted that CIC has identified the need to more clearly define the role of commission liaisons. Commissioner Lott and O'Brien noted that engagement of chairs should be intentional of cultural relevance.

VIII. Work Plan Review:

Clerk Scaman will share with members of CIC a copy to the 2021 Work Plan.

IX. Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner Curtis Lott, seconded by Commissioner Sandra Novack-Gottshall to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Curtis Lott, Sandra Novack-Gottshall, Greg Kolar, Rebecca O'Brien, and Acting Chair Frank Pond.

Nayes: none

Absent: Commissioner Conrad Terry.

NEXT MEETING: tbd

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk