

MEETING MINUTES CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION (CIC) Wednesday, June 1, 2022, 7:00p.m. Remote Participation

1. Call to Order

Chair Kolar called the meeting to order at 7:06 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar

Absent: None

Also present: Village Clerk Christina M. Waters

Village Clerk Waters 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 Pritzker'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.

3. Approval of Agenda

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

Ayes: Commissioners Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar

Nayes: None Absent: None

4. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Wesonga and seconded by Commissioner Lott to approve the May 4, 2022 meeting minutes. A roll call was taken and the motion was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar

Nayes: None
Absent: None

5. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

6. New Business:

a) Applicant Interviews

Darien Bloom: Disability Access Commission

Darien Bloom is a Development Associate at PACTT Learning Center, an organization that provides educational, residential, & adult vocational services for individuals with severe autism in the Chicago metropolitan area. Through their career they have seen the diversity of what it means to have a disability. They hope to bring their unique perspective to the commission and to facilitate opportunities for the commission and the community to talk with each other and determine what the community's biggest needs are.

Joe Cozza: Civic Information Systems Commission

Joe Cozza is a Manager of Digital Analytics. With a thirteen-year career in information technology, he understands the potential security risks involved with technology and what the concerns are for the community. He works to implement accessibility and inclusion in technology to raise the voice of that customer on a day-to-day basis. With his technology background a passion for public service, he hopes to lend his experience to help with the existing goals of the commission and data transparency throughout the village.

Sabryna-Joi Bell: Aging in Place Commission

Sabryna-Joi Bell is an elder statesperson. She has spent the last year serving as an aide for the National ABLE Network, Inc. in the senior community service employment commission. As a licensed private detective, she sees the need to protect elders as they mature they don't always have their mental or physical capabilities as there is an increase in people taking advantage of them through technology. With a passion for advocating for those who don't have a voice, she hopes to bring her experience as an investigator and to ensure people stay safe and maintain their dignity and independence as they age.

Kristina Becvar: Farmers' Market Commission

Kristina Bevcar is a Director of Human Resources. With a history in sustainability projects, she helped establish the first environmental awareness program in Joliet and she looks forward to bringing back the focus on sustainability as it impacts the Farmers' Market. She sees opportunities to reducing single use plastics at the Farmers' Market and hopes to use her strength in grant writing to perhaps offset the cost for vendors to move towards compostable or other sustainable packaging options, and to provide more education around sustainability for the vendors and the community to help make it easier to move to a more sustainable market experience.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session

It was moved by Commissioner Lott, seconded by Commissioner Eid, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – to discuss the appointment of volunteers to the Village at 7:53 P.M. A roll call vote was taken. The roll call was as follows:

Aves: Commissioners Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar.

Nayes: None Absent: None

6. Absent: None Return to Open Session

The meeting returned to Open Session at 8:01 P.M.

7. Old Business

Clerk Waters gave an update on the t-shirts and give away items and handouts for the Day in Our village event. The Commissioners discussed their coverage at the Day in Our Village Event.

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Commissioner Eid gave an update of the Chair meeting and discussed the updated CIC recruitment memo.

The Commissioners discussed assigning a CIC liaison to commissions or committees that expressed an interest in a CIC liaison but do not currently have one.

6. Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner Lott, seconded by Commissioner Wesonga, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken at 8:27 PM. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar

Nayes: None
Absent: None

NEXT MEETING: July 6, 2022 at 7:00PM

Respectfully Submitted, Linda DeViller, Deputy Village Clerk