



**MEETING MINUTES
CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION (CIC)
Wednesday, April 6, 2022, 7:00p.m.
Remote Participation**

1. Call to Order

Chair Kolar called the meeting to order at 7:01 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 Wesonga and seconded by Commissioner 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 Eid, Kill, Lott, Wesonga and Chair Kolar

Nayes: None

Absent: None

4. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Lott and seconded by Commissioner Wesonga to approve the March 2, 2022 and March 22, 2022 meeting minutes 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

5. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

6. New Business:

a) Applicant Interviews:

Kathryn Lee Noll: Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee

Kathryn Lee Noll is a non-profit medical field professional. Her work in nonprofit organizations has shown her the value of supporting people and their basic needs, and how that support leads to life changing outcomes.

She is excited to work with the CDCAC and interested in learning about the resources already exist in the community and how we may be able to expand and adapt those resources as needs arise. She hopes that by supporting organizations that help low and middle income residents we can provide a pathway for others to enjoy the benefits of this wonderful village.

Kimberlee Smith: Zoning Board of Appeals

Kimberlee Smith is an architect and owner of her own architecture firm. Having done extensive projects in Oak Park, she is familiar with the zoning requirements in the village. She is excited to bring her skillset and architectural experience to the community to help keep Oak Park beautiful now and in the future.

Thomas Newman: Farmers Market Vendor Representative

Thomas Newman has been a resident of Oak Park for 29 years. He has previously worked at the Oak Park Farmer's Market and currently works with other area farmer's markets assisting a vendor. As the Oak Park Farmers' Market Vendor Representative, he feels he would be able to bring forward the concerns of the participating vendors to the commission and the village. His work with other area markets during the week could offer insights into other best practices that may benefit Oak Park, as well interacting with other vendors that may be good fit to the Oak Park Market.

Thomas Gary: TBD

Thomas Gary is a public policy professional with over 30 years' experience supporting senior leaders and leveraging economic development tools to improve disadvantaged communities. He has extensive non-profit support experience having previously served on numerous local Boards and committees and currently serving on the Board of Beyond Hunger.

His interest in serving on CDCAC is not to further the aims of Beyond Hunger, but to help the village in reviewing the other 19 organizations. He is looking to serve in the way he feels is best for the community.

7. Motion to Enter into Executive Session:

It was moved by Commissioner Kill, 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 7:58 P.M. A roll call vote was taken. The roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

8. Return to Open Session

The meeting returned to Open Session at 8:13 P.M.

7. Old Business

Commissioner Kill and Commissioner Lott gave an overview of the revisions that were made to the Citizen Involvement Commission liaison report.

It was moved by Commissioner Wesonga, seconded by Commissioner Lott, to approve the updated CIC Liaison Report. A roll call vote was taken. The roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chair Kolar gave an update on Volunteer Recognition Week planning. Commissioner Kill made the recommendation to include a type of team building event between the Board and Commissioners during the recognition event. Commissioners Eid and Wesonga agreed to including some sort of ice breaker or team building aspect to the event.

Chair Kolar gave an update on the return of Day in Our Village on June 5th. They hope to have representatives from various commissions at the event to help promote volunteering on a commission. Chair Kill will bring candy to the event for the CIC table.

Chair Kolar mentioned the possibility of having a CIC table at the Farmer's Market for one of the Go Green days (May 21 or May 28) to help recruit for volunteers. Commissioners Eid and Wesonga will help coordinate this activity at the Farmers' Market.

Commissioners Kill and Eid will be working on a recruitment strategy.

6. Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner Lott, seconded by Commissioner Eid, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken at 8:35 PM. The roll call was as follows:

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Nays: None

Absent: None

NEXT MEETING: May 4, 2022 at 7:00PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda DeViller, Deputy Village Clerk