



Village Of Homewood  
Rail Committee Notes  
for October 11, 2017 Meeting

Village Board Room  
2020 Chestnut  
Homewood, IL 60430

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## CALL TO ORDER:

In attendance: Tom Grant, Wally Hein, Joe Krol, Bill Woelfel and Village staff Allisa Opyd

## AGENDA ITEMS:

### A. Review Rail Safety

CN partnered with the Village for Rail Safety Week that took place September 24-29. This was the first year the Village participated in the event. The Village assisted with finding businesses and organizations to paint murals on the windows of businesses in the downtown, the mural theme was “See Tracks, Think Trains”. On Tuesday, September 26, 9:00 AM, at the rail platform, a formal presentation from CN about Rail Safety week and announced the winners of the mural contest took place. Awards were handed out at the following Village Board meeting. CN would like to continue to work and grow the event with the Village.

### B. Hobo Night Promotion

WGN showcased Hobo Night on “Around Town with Ana Belavel on October 11. The television spot took place at the caboose and we were able to show the footprint of the event, hobo bindles, taste the Hobo Stew from Redbird Café, and detailed why Hobo are a part of American history. Radio show “Outside the Loop”, Mike Stephen interviewed Opyd for Hobo Night, that aired on October 7.

### C. Hobo Night Review

- Hobo Night- October 14, 6:30PM to 8:30PM
- Redbird Café will make the Hobo Stew
- MG Bailey will start at 6:30 PM until 8:30PM
- Event Schedule
  - 7:00PM Serve donuts and hot chocolate
  - 7:15 Hobo Joe Stories
  - 8:00 PM costume contest
    - Costume contest winners will receive a gift card from Frozen Yogurt
  - S’mores at any point
- Keep the same path to view the engine and caboose
- Bill will check if there are wasps by the engine and caboose
- Review with Public Works:
  - Add fresh mulch

# MEETING MINUTES

- Pull weeds
- Clean up the space
- Volunteers:
  - Tom at the caboose
  - Bill inside the caboose
  - Joe will tell Hobo Joe stories
  - Phil inside the caboose
  - CRC members to assist with the front part of the engine
  - Sarah and Allisa Hobo bindles
  - 7:30PM serve Hobo Stew

**NEXT MEETING:** January, at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Woelfel and seconded by Grant

Respectfully submitted,

Allisa Opyd

Events Manager, Staff Liaison