



Village Of Homewood
Community Relations Commission
for February 1, 2016 Meeting

Village Board Room
2020 Chestnut
Homewood, IL 60430

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Committee Member Tony Brown at 7:00 PM. The following people were in attendance:

ROLL CALL:

Anthony Brown, Lauren Roman, Ardell Roundtree, Heather Kersten, Clifford Cressey, Robert Pascarella and Tom Hamilton

Not in Attendance: Carlyn Coleman, Kathi Knight, Nancy Spaniak, Shannon Olison, and Phil Kosanovich.

Board and Staff Liaison in attendance: Mayor Richard Hofeld, Trustee Karen Washington, Village Staff Allisa Opyd and Anna DeVries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December meeting minutes motion was made by Hamilton and seconded by Roman.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments made at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Holiday Lights

Opyd reviewed Holiday Lights and received feedback from the members on event.

- Order more mulled wine and another warmer; team was unable to keep wine hot.
- Order more mugs, the mugs were sold by 8:00 AM.
- More Police Officers are needed at Irwin Park
- If we use more A-frames to promote activities at Holiday Lights, consider using weights on them so they will not tip.
- We also need to consider the possibility of people running into A-frames on the sidewalk; they might interfere with a walking path.

B. Chocolate Fest

1. Saturday, February 20, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
 - First demonstration at 11:30AM
 - Bake-Off judging at Noon

- Second demonstration at 12:30 PM
- Open tasting at 12:45PM
- Announce Bake-Off winners at 1:30PM

2. Volunteers for Chocolate Fest

Vendor Concierge 8:45 Arrival-10:30AM: assist vendors (2-3 volunteers)

- 1.Clifford
- 2.Lauren
- 3.Tony
4. AJ

Bake-Off 10:30 AM-12:45 (5 volunteers needed)

- 1.AJ
2. Kathi
3. Heather (11-12:30)
4. Tom
5. Bob

Apron Decorating shift 1-10:00-12:00 shift 2 12:00-2:00PM (2 volunteers per shift)

1. Clifford (10 -11:30)
2. Nancy (10:30-12:30)
3. Carlyn (11:30-2:00)
4. Heather (12:30-1:30)

C. Review Noon Year's Eve

1. Special "Thank You" to Vineyard Church for all of their time and efforts with assisting with village events!
2. Look into using caution tape around the entertainment area.
3. Consider no sitting on the sides.
4. The photo area was a success.
5. Chicago Boyz Acrobatic Team once again was a huge hit.
6. We need to have entertainment with the same level of energy.

D. Annual Report

The Annual Report was reviewed and approved. A motion was made by Roman and seconded by Hamilton.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

- Mayor Hofeld updated the group a new restaurant "Rudy's", located behind Balagio, will opening soon. It will be American hamburger/sports restaurant.
- The Indoor Farmers Market on January 30 was a success, with 600 attendees. Next market date is February 27.

NEXT MEETING: Monday March 7, 2016, at 7:00PM

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:30 PM a motion was made by Kersten and seconded by Cressey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Allisa Opyd
Events Manager, Staff Liaison