



Village Of Homewood
Community Relations Commission
for May 2, 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 7:05 PM. The following people were in attendance:

ROLL CALL:

Anthony Brown, Carlyn Coleman, Clifford Cressey, Robert Pascarella, Nancy Spaniak, Heather Kersten

Not in Attendance: Phil Kosanovich, Ardell Roundtree, Kathi Knight, Shannon Olson, Tom Hamilton, and Lauren Roman

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 4, 2016 meeting minutes, a motion was made by Spaniak to approve and seconded by Coleman.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments made at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Rail Fest: Opyd discussed the logistics of the event: The event will take place on Saturday May 21, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
 - a) The programming will take place in multiple areas. In the auditorium, the event will have train layouts, activities, entertainment, and train organizations. On Martin Avenue, across from the auditorium, there will be (4) 30 x30 tents which will house vendors selling rail antique and historic items. We will have volunteers at the Rail Park, located on Park Avenue, to showcase the historic IC caboose.
 - b) Opyd asked for volunteers for the event.
 - a. Trackless Train Heather, Bob, Tony
 - b. Craft: Carlyn, Clifford, Nancy

- B. Art and Garden Street Fair: Opyd reviewed with the group details of the event. The event will take place on Friday June 10 and Saturday June 11, 10AM to 9PM both

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days. The event will take place on Martin Avenue, between Ridge Road and Hickory Road.

a) Friday

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM Little Miss Anne children's music performance

2:00 PM to 5:00PM Sunnyside Up-A rock/bluegrass fusion.

6:00PM to 9:00PM Maggie Speaks to sing all the top 40 hits

Additional Programming

Kids Crafts from 12:00PM to 5:00 PM

Homewood Science Center Pop-Up Science

Saturday

10:00 AM Start your weekend with a workout with Intense Conditioning

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM Scribble Monsters- Homewood residents will perform "Kindie Rock"

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM Through the Flood, teen musicians from Homewood will perform.

3:00 PM to 5:00PM Work In Progress will perform a collaboration of bluegrass, blues, and folk

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM Latin Satin Soul

Additional Programming

10:00 AM to 3:00PM Returning to Homewood Nancy Pocus Banks, chalk artist. Nancy and her team will create another chalk art masterpiece on a Homewood Street. This will also give participants an opportunity to create their own masterpiece. Chalk will be provided, at no charge.

Homewood Science Center will have Pop-Up Science from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

New this Year, Craft Beer Tasting, from 3:00 PM until 6:00PM local brewers will share their brew at the Art and Garden Street Fair.

b) **Volunteers:** Opyd reviewed volunteer shifts and will ask for volunteers at the June 6 meeting.

C. July 4 Parade: Opyd reviewed an update to the application. Wording has been updated to encourage floats. Changes to the fee: for profits will pay \$20 to enter the parade, not for profit the fee is waived.

D. Farmers Market: Devries reviewed with the group updates on the markets.

- a) The last indoor market in April was a success and the Market Manager is planning for next year.
- b) Saturday, May 28 is the opening day for the outdoor market. The market will open in its new location on Martin Avenue Square. New to the market, more prepared foods. Hunt and Gather will be part of the festivities at the opening day of the market.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Anna Devries discussed with the group changes in her position. Devries' fulltime position has been eliminated and a Marketing/Special Events Director position has been created. Devries has accepted a new position in Hinsdale and her last day with the Village of Homewood is May 5.

The Mayor reviewed with the group the following:

- Copper Steel is a new martini bar will going into the old Global Fusion space. In the basement of the storefront will be a speakeasy themed second bar
- Cilantro has been sold and now under new management
- Duo's Nearly New is moving into a new space on Ridge Road and changing its name to Duo's Boutique
- Bottles and Bottega is a new business moving into the Nathalie's space on Ridge Road.
- Krispy Kream donuts will be opening in Homewood
- Walmart has a target date to open October 15
- Menards has decided to close July 5 and will reopen in nine months after their renovation is complete. Closing will help the renovation process move at a faster pace.

NEXT MEETING: Monday June 2, 2016, at 7:00PM

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:55 PM a motion was made by Pascarella and seconded by Cressey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Allisa Opyd
Events Manager, Staff Liaison