



Village Of Homewood
Community Relations Commission
for November 2, 2015 Meeting

Village Board Room
2020 Chestnut
Homewood, IL 60430

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Committee Member Anthony Brown at 7:04 PM. The following people were in attendance:

ROLL CALL:

Anthony Brown, Carlyn Coleman, Clifford Cressey, Ardell Roundtree, Lauren Roman, Shannon Olison, Tom Hamilton, Kathi Knight.

Not in Attendance: Nancy Spaniak, Heather Kersten, Trustee Karen Washington

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Knight and was seconded by Hamilton to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2015 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments made at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Holiday Lights

- a. Opyd reviewed Holiday Lights, Friday December 4, from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM. The event will have wonderful program for the entire family:

6:00 PM-9:00 PM

- Trolleys will travel throughout the downtown.
- Martin Avenue Winter Market opens.
- Holiday brass band will perform at winter market.
- Foundation 153 holiday tree and wreath sale starts at 3:00 PM.
- La Banque to serve beignets and hot chocolate.

7:00 PM

- Antique Car Parade, escorting Santa on fire engine.
- Santa lights the holiday tree at Irwin Park.

7:30 PM-9:00 PM

- Martin Ave live reindeer petting zoo.

- Ice carving demonstrations.
- Second Santa on Martin Avenue Square-North.

b. Volunteers for Holiday Lights

Volunteers from the Community Relations Commission and Economic Development Committee will be helping at Holiday Lights:

Trolley 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Marcia Nicholson
Priscilla Cordero

Trolley 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Tony Brown
Terry Keigher

Mulled Wine Sales 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Deneen
Craig Schmidt
Pam Lau

Mulled Wine Sales 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Pam Lau
Nancy
Heather
Lauren
AJ

B. Unwrap Downtown Homewood: Sponsored by The Downtown Homewood Business Association

- Shoppers must spend at least \$300 on goods, services, or gift certificates at a minimum of three DHBA businesses.
- A minimum of \$25 before tax or gratuity must be spent at each participating business to qualify.
- Collect your receipts from November 20, 2015 to December 24, 2015.
- On January 30, 2016, the first 50 shoppers in line at the Homewood Indoor Farmers Market will have their receipts reviewed.
- Eligible receipts must be originals with an imprint of the date, business name, address, and dollar amount.
- Reward Gift cards/certificates will be in unmarked envelopes.
- Participants must be 18 years or older to participate.
- Shoppers need not be a resident of Homewood to participate.

C. DHBA Fashion Show: The Downtown Homewood Business Association

The DHBA Fashion Show will take place Saturday, December 5, from 9:00 AM until 10:30AM, at La Voute Bistro. Models will stroll between tables showcasing holiday apparel from the DHBA boutique shops, all while spectators enjoy breakfast. Make reservations by calling La Voute Bistro.

D. Noon Year's Eve Event

Opyd confirmed the Chicago Boyz Acrobatic will be performing at the event. Olison will reach out to her church, Vineyard Church, for volunteers. DeVries reviewed with the group the photo booth, with props, will be at the event. The photos will be available on-line for review and printing.

E. Date for Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting for the Community Relations Committee is December 7, which is after Holiday Lights. Opyd asked if the group would be available to meet on November 30, a week earlier, for BASSET training and Noon Year's Eve Day review.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Mayor Hofeld reviewed with the groups the following information:

Snowflake contest will be starting soon; winners will receive an egg roll from Eat Rice or a bowl of soup or chili from Twisted Q.

Ravisloe is reviewing possibility of cross country skiing during the winter.

NEXT MEETING: Date to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:10 PM a motion was made by Roman and seconded by Knight to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Allisa Opyd
Events Manager, Staff Liaison