



MINUTES

YOUTH COMMISSION

**CITY HALL SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
505 BUTLER PLACE
PARK RIDGE, IL 60068**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017 AT 6:00 PM

Members Present: Commissioners: Claire Griebler, Joan Mattingly, Bobby Pierobon, Eileen Sergo, Jared Skiba and Leslie Wolf. Student Commissioners: Evan Arnold, Zach Arnold, Charlotte Geier, Maura Hart, Ewelina Laczak, Connor Maloney, Fiona Maloney, Mary Frances Sheffert and Spyros Vaselopulo

Members Absent: Commissioners: Alderman John Moran. Student Commissioners: Peter Jakubczak, Katelyn Kahn, Kamila Kazimierczuk, Emily Krischke, Shea O’Sullivan, Patrick Shaughnessy, James Shaughnessy, Natalie Wajda and Sarah Zawadzka

Also Present: Officer Ben Peterson - Park Ridge Police Department and Brigid Madden

I. Non-Member Alderman Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Items

None.

II. Citizens Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Items

None.

III. Action Items

A. Approve Minutes from the January 26, 2017 Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner Mattingly, seconded by Commissioner Wolf, the Commission agreed to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2017 meeting.

The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

B. Approve an Expenditure of \$1,000 for an outdoor screen rental during the Taste of Park Ridge to iRent Projectors

On a motion by Commissioner Mattingly, seconded by Commissioner Pierobon, the Commission agreed to approve an expenditure of \$1,000 for an outdoor screen rental during the Taste of Park Ridge to iRent Projectors.

The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Promotional Items to be Ordered

Brigid Madden provided information on promotional items based on the Commission members' suggestions at the last meeting. The Commissioners provided feedback and there was a consensus to order adhesive cell phone wallets with the Youth Commission logo.

The expenditure will be an action item at the next meeting.

B. Review 2017 Calendar of Events

1. Color Run

The Commission received the sponsorship letter from the National Honor Society at Maine South and a check request was submitted to the Finance Department.

Commissioner Skiba asked what else the Commission could do in order to prepare and promote the event. Commissioner Vaselopulo explained that the National Honor Society is still in the early planning stages for the event. He will ask that the Youth Commission receive table space at the Color Run.

2. Community Day of Service – Bernie's Book Bank

Commissioner Mattingly outlined the Park Ridge Ministerial Association's Community Day of Service, scheduled for April 30th. She contacted Bernie's Book Bank and discussed hosting a book drive at Mary Seat of Wisdom in conjunction with the Day of Service. She suggested that the Youth Commission spearhead the book drive.

Commissioner Skiba welcomed a collection bin at Allegro Music. He urged the students to network with their friends to spread the word about the project.

Commissioner Wolf suggested promoting the event with the local newspapers.

Commissioner Griebler will discuss the event with Library staff to determine whether they can participate as a collection site.

Commissioner Mattingly stated that Bernie's does provide the collection bins.

There was a consensus among the Commissioners to sponsor book drive throughout the month of April. It will be a discussion item at the next meeting.

3. Panel Discussion at Library

Commissioner Griebler suggested hosting the event on a weeknight in early June to ensure finals are over at Maine South and college students have returned home. The Commissioners discussed recruiting a variety of students from different types of colleges and universities, both local and out of state. Former Student Commissioners and siblings were suggested as possible participants. Commissioner Griebler asked that the Commissioners develop questions for the panel at the May meeting.

The event was scheduled for June 7th at the Park Ridge Library.

4. Taste of Park Ridge

The Youth Commission will host an outdoor movie Friday, July 14th and the Live and Loud Concert on Saturday, July 15th during the Taste of Park Ridge. Commissioner Skiba stated that bands have already inquired about participating in the event.

Commissioner Pierobon recalled conversation from a previous meeting about a potential open mic. He suggested utilizing the outdoor theater at Prospect Park. The event will be discussed at the next meeting.

Commissioner Pierobon asked what rating the movie needed to be, suggesting that it should be PG. Commissioner Griebler volunteered to create a list of appropriate movies available at the Library.

Commissioner Mattingly stated that she would reach out to Teri Collins of MCYAF and invite her to attend the next Youth Commission meeting to discuss their involvement in the Taste of Park Ridge events.

V. Administration Report

A. Updated Budget Report

The current account balance is \$6,918.78

B. Receipts

VI. New Business

Commissioner Mattingly explained that she received an email from Dr. Bruhl from Gear for Goals asking if the Youth Commission was interested in hosting a collection. He did not indicate a specific timeline. Commissioner Skiba suggested following-up on this item in the fall.

Commissioner Skiba explained that he has reached his term limit on the Youth Commission and will no longer be a voting member once a new adult Commissioner is appointed. He has served on the Commission for ten years. Commissioner Skiba stated that he will continue to be a resource for the Commission going forward.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.