

Community Relations Commission (CRC)

Meeting Minutes for Monday August 7, 2023

Forum(s): In Person-Village Hall

Present:

Carl Hill (Chairman)
Andrea Townson (Secretary)
Jennifer Beasley (Village Liaison)
Jessica Washington (VOOF Executive Assistant)

Absent:

Stephanie Mills (Member)
Demetra Ashley (Member)

Call to Order: 7:04 pm by Chairman

- (a) Roll Call Completed
- (b) Reviewed 6-5--23 Minutes- Approved. Motion moved/seconded /carried.

Public Comments:

NONE

Old Business:

1. 2023 Events:

Schedules Confirmed.

- a. **Octoberfest, Saturday, October 14, 2023-** 11am-5pm (Sgt. Means)
 - b. **Halloween Candy Give-Away, Sunday, October 29, 2023-** 2-4 pm (Village Hall Lot)
 - c. **Caroling in the Park, Saturday, December 16, 2023- 2-4pm (Sgt. Means)**
- 2. Octobefest Vendor Update: 41 vendors confirmed, to date. At least (4) food truck vendors are pending. Discussed the possibility of beer/wine vendors and respective costs. No final decision reached; Musicians have also been confirmed (singer and bands). May also be open to additional musicians.
 - 3. CITP: chairman confirmed that (3) schools have confirmed participation, with a discussion of how to improve the logistics and look of the 2023 event.
 - 4. TO Do Item: finalize and centralize the vendor list.

New Business

1. **Community Center Status:** discussed the ongoing need for a formal village Community Center. Currently, there are no formal plans for a permanent site. However, current available options are the Park Forest Library and The Barn. The IRS building, owned by the village, is not an option due, to planned development.
2. **2023 Budget:** CRC needs to finalize and confirm its annual 2023 budget with the village.
3. **Code Red Program:** discussed how/if the CRC can coordinate with the village to increase Code Red Registration.
4. **General Comments:** (1) Village Facebook Page (2) the success of the 2023 National Night Out (3) Issues with village alerts regarding the water problem which caused a short boil order.

Open Comments

None

Adjournment:

7:50pm motion moved/seconded/carried.

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