

Approved Minutes of
Regular Meeting
HOUSING PROGRAMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Village of Oak Park
February 19, 2014
7:00 pm – Room 215

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Steven Glass at 7:07 pm.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Steven Glass, Meg Herman, Meredith Morris, Matthew Rogina
and Tyrell Stewart

ABSENT: Peggy LaFleur

GUEST: Charlene Jones-Foster – CIC Liaison

STAFF PRESENT: Tammie Grossman, Director of Development Customer Services
Jeff Richardson, Housing Programs Supervisor

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA: Chair Glass asked if there were any changes to the Agenda. Noting no changes, agenda approved unanimously.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. Jones-Foster outlined her plan to attend HPAC meetings at least quarterly and requested that she be copied electronically on all agendas.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Stewart to approve the minutes as drafted, seconded by Mr. Rogina. Approval of the minutes passed by unanimous voice vote.

Procedures Manual for Boards and Commissions: Ms. Jones-Foster introduced the new procedures manual. She noted that highlights of the new manual include information on the Open Meetings Act and attendance.

Term Limits: Ms. Jones-Foster introduced the new ordinance which clarifies term limits for boards and commissions. Members may serve two three-year terms, plus one three-year term as chair, or one three-year term plus two three-year terms as chair. Chair Glass noted that all of the current HPAC members' terms expire in 2015 and asked that members who are not returning give as much notice as possible so that the Citizens' Involvement Commission can find replacement members.

HOPE Fair Housing Testing Report: Ms. Grossman recapped the presentation of the HOPE Fair Housing Center report on discriminatory practices in the rental housing market, which was made to the Village Board on February 18, 2014. She reported

that the Board directed that a commission be established to recommend solutions to end unfair housing practices, as well as any penalties for offenders.

Housing Programs Update: Mr. Richardson reported that staff will present applications for a Single Family Rehab Loan and a Small Rental Properties Rehab Loan in March. Applications are being accepted for Multi-family Housing Incentives Program grants until March 14, and the application is available on the Village web site. Free water saver kits are again available, and will be distributed at Earth Fest and A Day in Our Village. He invited HPAC members to attend both events to distribute the kits and promote our programs.

Other Business: None.

ADJOURNMENT (voice vote): Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Richardson
Staff Liaison