



**MEETING MINUTES  
CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024, 7:00 P.M.  
VILLAGE HALL, ROOM 101**

**A. Call to Order**

Chair Kolar called the regular meeting to order at 7:06 P.M.

**B. Roll Call**

Present: Commissioners Elling, Kill, Miller, Roman, Wesonga, and Chair Kolar

Absent: Commissioners Eid, Lott, Song

Also present: Clerk Waters

**C. Agenda Approval**

Commissioner Roman moved to approve the agenda; Commissioner Wesonga seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

**D. Minutes Approval**

A. Commissioner Miller moved to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2024 meeting; Commissioner Kill seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

B. Commissioner Roman moved to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2024 meeting; Commissioner Kill seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. Commissioner Wesonga abstained.

**E. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**F. New Business**

A. Review of Board and Commission Vacancy and Chair Expiration Date Report – September 16, 2024 & October 1, 2024

Clerk Waters confirmed that recruitment is on hold for the Community Design Commission (CDC) and Community Relations Commission (CRC). The CRC last met about two months ago. She anticipates a resignation from the Environment & Energy Commission and another commissioner's term is expiring.

B. Review of Advisory Board, Commission, or Committee Appointments at Regular Board of Trustees Meeting(s) – September 16, 2024 & October 1, 2024

Chair Kolar stated the reappointments. There was no further discussion.

**G. CIC Liaison Reports**

Clerk Waters said she will send the fillable PDF form to the commissioners. Commissioner Elling reported on the Building Codes Advisory Commission meeting he attended.

**H. Staff Liaison Report**

There was no report.

**I. Consideration of Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session**

5 ILCS 120/(c)(21) – Motion to Enter into Executive Session to Review and Discuss Minutes of Sessions Lawfully Closed Under the Open Meetings Act

Commissioner Wesonga moved to enter into executive session; Commissioner Elling seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Elling, Kill, Miller, Roman, Wesonga, and Chair Kolar

Absent: Eid, Lott, Song

**J. Reconvene to Regular Meeting**

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:34 P.M.

- A. A Motion to Approve Minutes of Closed Sessions Held on March 22, 2022 – September 4, 2024

Commissioner Miller motioned to table the Item; Commissioner Wesonga seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the amended motion was approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Elling, Kill, Miller, Roman, Wesonga, and Chair Kolar

Absent: Eid, Lott, Song

- B. A Motion to Approve Public Release of Closed Session Minutes and Verbatim Recording of Closed Sessions Held on March 22, 2022 – September 4, 2024

Commissioner Miller motioned to table the Item; Commissioner Wesonga seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the amended motion was approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Elling, Kill, Miller, Roman, Wesonga, and Chair Kolar

Absent: Eid, Lott, Song

**K. New Business**

- A. Discussion of 2024 Achievements, 2025 Work Plan goals and draft of 2025 Work Plan

Chair Kolar led the discussion. The commissioners recalled their achievements and determined their work plan goals.

- B. Discuss and finalize location of Volunteer Recognition Event

Chair Kolar said the event date is Thursday, November 14, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. First United Church of Oak Park is not available on Thursdays. Potential locations are the Oak Park Conservatory and Albion rooftop. Commissioner Wesonga will inquire with Little Gem and Tre Sorelle for costs for food, rental rate, and cash bar for 50-75 guests.

- C. Discuss Agenda Topics for Upcoming Citizen Involvement Commission Meeting(s)

Commissioner Kill said she would like to learn more about the Neighborhood Services department and how the CIC can be involved. Clerk Waters said that can be included on the January meeting agenda.

Chair Kolar encouraged commissioners to attend the event by the Aging in Communities Commission at the Nineteenth Century Club on October 9, Aging Awareness Day. Clerk Waters said she will send an invitation.

Commissioner Wesonga said she is hosting a Kenyan cheer zone on the corner of Michigan and Roosevelt at the Chicago Marathon on October 13.

**L. Old Business**

**M. Adjourn**

Commissioner Wesonga moved to adjourn; Commissioner Roman seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deputy Clerk Hansen