



**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2023, 7:00 P.M.
VILLAGE HALL, ROOM 101**

I. Call to Order

Chair Kolar called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Elling, Kill, Lott (arrived at 7:07 P.M.), Miller, Roman, Song (arrived at 7:33 P.M.) and

Chair Kolar

Absent: Commissioners Eid, Wesonga

Also present: Clerk Waters, Kurt Roskopf, Nicholas Mann, Turquoise Peart, Seth Jansen

III. Agenda Approval

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

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

V. New Business

A) A Motion to Conduct Volunteer Applicant Interviews for the Following Individuals to be Considered for an Advisory Board, Commission and/or Committee:

- a. William Coats – Community Relations Commission (*not in attendance*)
- b. Kurt Roskopf – Civic Information Systems Commission
- c. Nicholas Mann – Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
- d. Seth Jansen – Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
- e. Turquoise Peart – Housing Programs Advisory Committee

No motion was made.

Kurt Roskopf – Civic Information Systems Commission

Oak Park resident for 25 years. IT Director at the Chicago Church of Christ, which includes United Lutheran Church in Oak Park. Has been working in technology for decades. Degree in computer engineering. Has attended CISC meetings and is aware of the Village website redesign and Smart Cities initiative. Has a lot of knowledge with audio/visual, networking, endpoint maintenance, and cloud-based vendor relations.

Nicholas Mann – Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
Moved to Oak Park two years ago. Owns equity in a manufacturing business in West Garfield Park and a charity business that did work with Animal Care League. Worked for the U.S. Department of Defense and was a first officer for commercial cargo ships. Interested in the small business aspect of the CDC. Also interested in the CDCAC. Will send in his references. Would like to see more artwork in Oak Park.

Seth Jansen – Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
Has lived in Oak Park for a few years. Has worked in public sector his entire life. Current management analyst for River Forest public works department and staff liaison to their Sustainability Commission. Said he will confirm there is no conflict of interest. Master's in public administration with a certificate in community planning. Worked as a legislative liaison for a state agency so CDCAC is his second choice.

Turquoise Peart – Housing Programs Advisory Committee/Community Relations Commission
Moved to Oak Park in 2019 and is a renter. Specializes in diversity, equity, and inclusion. Background in human resources. Previously worked for Guaranteed Rate. Currently works as program director for Coffee, Hip-Hop and Mental Health—a nonprofit mental health organization downtown. Said her first choice is now the Community Relations Commission. Clerk Waters will introduce her to CRC Chair.

B) Review of Vacancy Report

Clerk Waters will check the quorum requirements for each commission.

C) Advisory Board, Commission or Committee Appointments at the June 5, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting.

There were no appointments.

D) Advisory Committees, Commissions, and Boards CIC Liaison Reports

Commissioner Kill said an architect is needed for Historic Preservation Commission. Clerk Waters said there is someone in the queue for HPC. Commissioner Lott said CPOC is reviewing complaints. The body cameras are going well but there is still concern about the flock cameras and other communities being able to view the data of Oak Park. An attorney is reviewing it.

VII. Consideration of Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session

E) 5 ILCS 120/(c)(1) – Motion to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment recommendations of volunteers to the Village of Oak Park's advisory commissions, committees and boards.

Commissioner Miller moved; Commissioner Lott seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The Commission adjourned to Executive Session at 8:26 P.M.

VIII. Reconvene to Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:49 P.M.

IX. New Business Continued

- F) A Motion to Approve the Volunteer Appointment Recommendation to the Village President of William Coats to the Community Relations Commission
Commissioner Miller moved to remove the motion; Commissioner Elling seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was removed.
- G) A Motion to Approve the Volunteer Appointment Recommendation to the Village President of Kurt Roskopf to the Civic Information Systems Commission
Commissioner Roman moved; Commissioner Elling seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved.
Ayes: Roman, Elling, Kill, Lott
Nays: Miller and Chair Kolar
Abstain: Song
Absent: Eid, Wesonga
- H) A Motion to Approve the Volunteer Appointment Recommendation to the Village President of Nicholas Mann to the Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
Commissioner Kill moved to table the motion; Commissioner Miller seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was tabled.
Ayes: Kill, Miller, Elling, Lott, Roman and Chair Kolar
Nays: None
Abstain: Song
Absent: Eid, Wesonga
- I) A Motion to Approve the Volunteer Appointment Recommendation to the Village President of Seth Jansen to the Community Design Commission/Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee
Commissioner Miller moved; Commissioner Elling seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved.
Ayes: Miller, Elling, Kill, Lott, Roman and Chair Kolar
Nays: None
Abstain: Song
Absent: Eid, Wesonga
- J) A Motion to Approve the Volunteer Appointment Recommendation to the Village President of Turquoise Peart to the Housing Programs Advisory Committee

Commissioner Miller moved to amend the motion with a primary designation to the Community Relations Commission and a secondary designation to the Housing Programs Advisory Committee; Commissioner Roman seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Ayes: Miller, Roman, Elling, Kill, Lott and Chair Kolar

Nays: None

Abstain: Song

Absent: Eid, Wesonga

X. Old Business

H) Discussion of the 2023 Work Plan

Commissioners Elling and Roman are awaiting feedback from the commissioners on the questionnaire they drafted about the onboarding process. Commissioner Elling recommended emailing the draft protocol to the commissioners and request they email their revisions to Clerk Waters. Clerk Waters responded that feedback was received from the chairs at their quarterly meeting.

XI. Adjourn

Commissioner Kill moved to adjourn; Commissioner Roman seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deputy Clerk Hansen