

Village of Lombard

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 14, 2011

7:00 PM

Community Relations Committee

*Trustee Keith Giagnorio - Chairperson
Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick - Alternate Chairperson,
Pamela Bedard, Lisa Biegalski, Ahmed Ali,
Cindy Wellwood-Burke, Michael Ledonne,
Sharon Vish & Barb Ware
Staff Liaison - Joelyn Kott*

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Community Relations Chairperson Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick at 7:05 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call

Present: Laura Fitzpatrick, Pamela Bedard, Ahmed Ali, Michael Ledonne, Andy Draus, Lisa Biegalski and Cindy Wellwood-Burke

Absent: Kimberly Angland

Also in attendance: Joelyn Kott, Communications Coordinator.

3.0 Public Participation

None.

4.0 Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Biegalski and seconded by Ali the minutes of the February 14, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved by the members present.

5.0 Unfinished Business

None.

6.0 New Business

A. Seniors

B. Social Services

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Medal of Character Excellence Award

Request to nominate Dean Krawczykowski for the Medal of Character Excellence Award.

Dean Krawczykowski was nominated by Kim Angland to receive the Medal of Character Excellence Award. Staff shared additional information regarding his nomination. Krawczykowski performed an Eagle Scout project at the Peck Homestead that included building a fence there.

It was moved by Wellwood-Burke, seconded by Biegalski, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

110180**Medal of Character Excellence**

Request to nominate Timothy Sullivan for the Medal of Character Excellence Award.

Staff brought forth another nomination for this award, submitted by Village President Bill Mueller. Timothy Sullivan, a Glenbard East senior, was recognized for receiving the Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Class of 2011 award. This is a select group of students in the state who are chosen.

It was moved by Ledonne, seconded by Bedard, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

110124**President's Community Service Award**

Request to nominate Brian Vogel and his staff at Rock Bottom Brewery for the President's Community Service Award.

Sandra Hill nominated Brian Vogel and his staff at Rock Bottom Brewery for their community service and cooperation to the Community Table program and the First Things First infant needs pantry. A nomination letter was presented by Sandra Hill regarding the work that was done.

It was moved by Bedard, seconded by Ali, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

C. Youth**D. Intergovernmental Relations****E. Diversity****7.0 Other Business****110121****Block Captain Program**

Discussion regarding the Block Captain Program.

Information from North Riverside regarding a similar type program was reviewed. Trustee Fitzpatrick eliminated portions of the program that Lombard will not be looking at. Staff will prepare a program memo for the committee's review in April and then it will be sent on to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

The purpose of the block party program is to engage people to help communicate info to their neighborhoods. A starting point will be the organizers of last summer's block parties. A letter will be sent to them inviting them to a meeting in June to kick off the Block Captain program.

Staff will obtain the block party permit forms from last year and put together a list of people to invite to the kick-off meeting.

110126**Term Limits (if applicable)**

Discussion regarding term limits for elected officials.

Staff distributed two handouts that were recommended via the Village Attorney. The information was educational in nature regarding term limits.

The advisory referendum statement is on April 5 ballot. Trustee Fitzpatrick explained that it is similar to surveying the public to see if they would support term limits. If the advisory referendum passes April 5, the committee would be putting together additional educational information to get out to voters so that they could make informed decisions about term limits.

Some avenues discussed included a press release, info on pros and cons of term limits. This information could be put on web, cable, and links for articles could also be provided.

Pam Bedard added that her opinion regarding term limits is that sometimes there is no one to take the positions.

Trustee Fitzpatrick added that we can not debate the pros and cons. We must present the information in a non-biased manner.

The term limit idea on the table currently is for a limit of three terms to any one office. Thus far in Lombard, only three people would have been affected by this: Bill Mueller, Dick Tross and Lorraine Gerhardt.

8.0 Information Only

Staff reported that March 7-11 was local government week and two segments of "Open Mike" featured the Village President of Hanover Park, Rodney Craig and State Senator Ron Sandack. She reported that the programs are excellent examples of partnerships in government.

9.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Wellwood-Burke and seconded by Ali the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.