



# Village of Lombard

Village Hall  
255 East Wilson Ave.  
Lombard, IL 60148  
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## Minutes

### Community Relations Committee

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

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Monday, September 10, 2012

7:00 PM

Trustees Conference Room

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#### 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

*The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Trustee Keith Giagnorio at 7:03 p.m.*

*The Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting.*

#### 2.0 Roll Call

**Present** 7 - Trustee Keith Giagnorio, Pamela Bedard, Lisa Biegalski, Ahmed Ali, Sharon Vish, Gladys Piper, and Barbara Ware  
**Absent** 2 - Michael Ledonne, and Sharon Kuderna

*Also present: Joelyn Kott, Communications Coordinator.*

#### 3.0 Public Participation

*Ahmed Ali asked that the Committee have a moment of silence in memory of the late Village President, Bill Mueller. He also asked that the Community Relations Committee name the meeting a condolence meeting and dedicate it to the memory of President Mueller.*

#### 4.0 Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Ahmed Ali, seconded by Gladys Piper, to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2012 meeting. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

#### 5.0 Unfinished Business

[120005](#)

2012 Senior Fair

Update on the 2012 Senior Fair.

*Staff updated the Committee members on the participants of the upcoming Senior Fair, to be held October 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Lombard Community building. Final details are being made prior to the next press release going out.*

*A promotional photo will be taken on Thursday, September 20 at 10:00 a.m. in front of the Lombard Community building. All Committee members are invited to attend the photo shoot.*

*Staff distributed samples of the tote bags which will be given out at the Senior Fair to all attendees.*

*A sign-up sheet was circulated for Committee members to volunteer to staff the event.*

## 6.0 New Business

[120465](#)

### **Medal of Character Excellence**

Request to nominate Jolie-Grace Wareham for the Medal of Character Excellence Award.

*A nomination was made to consider Jolie Grace-Wareham for the Medal of Character Excellence Award. The Committee reviewed the nomination information and held favorable discussion on the nomination of this individual for the award.*

**A motion was made by Lisa Biegalski, seconded by Pamela Bedard, to approve the nomination and award Jolie-Grace Wareham the Medal of Character Excellence Award for her volunteer service, inspiration to other teens and commitment to the Village. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.**

*Staff will contact Jolie-Grace to arrange for the presentation of the award at an upcoming Board of Trustees meeting.*

[120466](#)

### **2012 Senior of the Year**

Request to review nominations and determine Senior of the Year Awards.

*Staff presented the nomination for the "Senior of the Year" awards for consideration by the Committee. The late Bill Mueller and Eileen Mueller were both nominated for the awards. Discussion was held regarding how to best handle these nominations and whether it would be appropriate to award this to both of them at this time.*

*It was offered by Ahmed Ali that the Committee might want to consider the feelings of Mrs. Mueller regarding this as well as the public feelings.*

*Pam Bedard added that the public would love it if Bill received this award.*

*The Committee discussed that it would be a great honor for Eileen to receive this in Bill's honor and memory posthumously.*

**A motion was made by Pamela Bedard, seconded by Gladys Piper, to award one "Senior of the Year" award posthumously to the late Village President Bill Mueller and ask Eileen Mueller to accept the award on his behalf. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

## **7.0 Other Business**

*None.*

## **8.0 Information Only**

*Police Chief Ray Byrne asked staff to relay to the Community Relations Committee that the request regarding the Police Department looking into the SALT (Senior and Law Enforcement Working Together) program was addressed with a Senior Citizen Police Academy program. The Police Department will be taking the CPA class on the road and offering this to seniors at Beacon Hill, Lexington Square and Sunrise Assisted Living beginning October 1. The response has been great and the program has been received very positively.*

## **9.0 Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Sharon Vish, seconded by Barbara Ware, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**