
CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Date: March 22, 2023

Present: Mayor Nunzio Pulice, Alderman Art Woods, Edna Manganello, Anna Szostek, John Abbate, Pam Wawczak, Isaac Capistran, Janelle Silva- Staff Liaison

Absent: Paula Masilotti, Pattie Scott, Ryan Sauers

Guest: Jon Marquardt – Wood Dale Park District
Members of the Wood Dale Historical Society

Meeting Commenced at: 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Roll call taken.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- 1st motion – Pam Wawczak
- 2nd motion – Isaac Capistran

DISCUSSIONS:

- Introduction of Jon Marquardt – New Director for the Wood Dale Park District.
- CIC members expressed the desire to bring back activities to the Park District like Fish Fry's at the Golf Course. Lent Fridays, BBQ's with live music. The last time this was done was pre covid. Lunch at Salt Creek? Jon stated that the Board was discussing this.
- Jon stated that Parlay was officially open and doing very well – busy in fact.
- CIC members suggested Family events like Chicago Wolves games or the rodeo. Family golf nights at White Pines. Janelle to share email contacts of the Schaumburg Boomers to Jon.
- Members of the Wood Dale Historical Society were present and shared that they have events coming up like Family Game Night, the Fall Family Fest, a conversation at the Library. They stated that they would like to volunteer at Prairie Fest and have a booth. They may offer a movie night on the farm. They expressed the need for more manpower as the grounds keeping can get overwhelming. They wanted to know about potential Eagle Scouts to assist.
- They requested for knowledge about grants to get the barn painted.

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- The Historical Society has tours available and a museum. They offer field trips.
 - They inquired about camps with the Park District and School District.
 - They host Harvest Fest and rent a petting zoo, sheep sharer, pony rides.
 - Scare walk had positive reviews.
 - CIC members discussed the Itasca Community Garden and wondered if there was space in Wood Dale to have one. The WDPD may have space at the golf maintenance facility.
 - Janelle to assist with Historical Society for outreach by using the clocktower – Student volunteers (15-20), events, and memberships.
 - Janelle to email Discover DuPage and Meet Chicago Northwest to reintroduce the Historical Society.
 - U of I extension/AG intern
 - CIC members report that parks are being used in warmer weather, along Hemlock.
 - Pickleball Court is recommended for the new space at the Park District.
 - Pool Opens Memorial Day weekend.
 - School Street at Reservoir does not have a sign that states Dead End, Janelle to reach out to staff for signage.
 - CIC members recalled that there used to be a BINGO night for \$5 pm St. Patrick's with food that was well attended.
 - CIC members also recall a senior dinner hosted by the Park District, in December that cost seniors \$12-15. Which was very nice.

Motion to adjourn Mayor 1/ Edna 2 and all said yes.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2023

ADJOURNMENT:

7:33 p.m.