



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Youth Commission
Buechner Room
33 S. AH Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005
December 16, 2021
6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from November 9, 2021

IV. REPORTS

- A. Commission Reports
 - 1. Park District
 - 2. School District
 - 3. Library
 - 4. Police Department
 - 5. Commissioners at Large

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Snow Shoveling Program
The Commission will determine a means of promoting the program for teens in the area.
- B. Teen Job Fair
The Commission will review businesses to invite to the event.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Youth Commission
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Item: Minutes from November 9, 2021

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

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6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Son called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Alice Son, Chairperson

Matt Healy

Officer Taryn Gombar

Chyrel Moore

Dr. Afroz Hafeez

Jennifer Borrell

Kendall Fahnoe

Absent

Connor Neill

Anayah Menzies-Thomas

Also Present

James McCalister, Commission Liaison

Melissa Jacobsen, Administrative Assistant

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes from September 23, 2021

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HEALY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 MEETING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAFEEZ AND APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

IV. REPORTS

A. Park District

Commissioner Healy said the Trunker Treat event was held two weeks ago and they had around 3,000 people and businesses attend. He said the Park District is hiring staff from the surrounding high schools for various positions available. He said the tree lighting ceremony is Friday, November 26.

B. School District

Commissioner Moore said everyone has returned to in-person in school and trying to get back to normal.

C. Library

Chairperson Son said the Library has a new exhibit called Snoopy and the Red Barron and it will begin on November 11. She said for National Novel Writing month teens can write 50,000 words towards a novel. She said there is also college scholarship help for teens and parents. She said finals are approaching for the high schools in December and the Library is offering yoga and mindfulness exercises to help provide stress relief for teens during this time.

D. Police Department

Officer Gombar said the Police Department received a new Dodge Charger and the Hersey High School Homecoming Dance did not have any issues to report.

E. Commissioners at Large

Commissioner Hafeez asked to touch base on health education as the next topic to incorporate as possibilities for students.

Commissioner Fahnoe said at Rolling Meadows High School, they are starting early college applications for the senior class. She said the school held a blood drive and 115 people attended. She said students are prepping for finals.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Student Snow Removal

Mr. McCalister said there are 13 students and 211 residents signed up for the Snow Shoveling Program. Mr. McCalister shared an email that was received from a resident who expressed her gratitude for the program. Commissioner Moore suggested to keep sending the flyer to schools to keep promoting the program and retain more students. Mr. McCalister said he will ask the Senior Center Manager to circulate the Snow Shoveling Program flyer. Commissioner Hafeez suggested a raffle to stimulate more attraction for students to sign up for the program and partnering with other organizations to generate more attraction to the program. Commissioner Moore said students get paid for shoveling, but a competition might help generate interest. Mr. McCalister suggested a video might help promote the program, similar to a video previously done by the Commission. Commissioner Fahnoe said promoting the program through social media is the best way to get information out to students. Chairperson Son said she will coordinate the completion of a video with students who are currently enrolled in the program and Library staff.

B. Teen Job Fair

Commissioner Healy said that the Park District can host the Teen Job Fair at the Arlington Ridge Center (ARC) in the gymnasium and that Tuesdays work well based on other activities already scheduled at that location. The Commission discussed and agreed that the date of the Teen Job Fair will be Tuesday, March 1, 2022 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Commissioner Healy suggested to use a Google Doc to help track businesses. Chairperson Son said the challenge is recruiting businesses. Commissioner Borrell asked for the list of business and said they can add more businesses to the list. Commissioner Healy said going to the businesses in person is the best way to attract more businesses to attend. Mr. McCalister said that the Environmental Health Officers can review the list of businesses and make suggestions for adding other businesses if they are seeking to hire new staff. Commissioner Hafeez suggested sharing the information with the Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Moore suggested a flyer be sent to the schools and posting on social media. Chairperson Son said the Library can provide a flyer as they have done so in the past. Mr. McCalister said the Commission has a budget of \$400 each year. Commissioner Moore said she will talk with Marianos about supplying orange juice and cookies. Chairperson Son said at the next meeting, the Commission will divide up businesses and refreshments, and she will email the list of businesses to the Commission prior to the next meeting.

Commissioner Healy asked how can the Commission communicate information about the Teen Job Fair between meetings. Chairperson Son said she will email information to Ms. Jacobsen to be sent to all Commission members. Mr. McCalister said Commission members can discuss information individually, just not as a group.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Suggestions

Chairperson Son said at the last meeting some ideas were brought up and if the Commission has any ideas to share. Commissioner Hafeez said he will gather information and if there is anything to report back to the Commission he will share it at the next meeting.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Hafeez asked if the Commission can increase from 7 to 13 members as there are vacancies and it would help maintain a quorum. Mr. McCalister said the Village Board sets the number of members for a quorum and he would share the information with the Village Manager and report back at the next meeting. Mr. McCalister said the Boards and Commissions code will be emailed to the Commission so everyone knows the guiding principles.

Commissioner Borrell asked if there is an age range for Youth Commissioners. Chairperson Son said high school students from all the high schools is the background for Youth Commissioners.

Chairperson Son said the next meeting is scheduled on December 16, 2021.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER BORRELL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MOORE, MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 6:55 P.M. ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.