



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Youth Commission
Senior Center
1801 W. Central Rd. Arlington Heights, IL 60005
October 15, 2018
6:15 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from 9/20/18

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- B. 2019 Teen Job Fair

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Teen Snow Shoveling Project

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

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Item: Minutes from 9/20/18

Department: hhs

ATTACHMENTS:

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September YC minutes	Minutes

**Village of Arlington Heights
Youth Commission
Minutes from September 20, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Spicer called the regular meeting of the Arlington Heights Youth Commission to order at 6:02pm at the Arlington Heights Memorial Library.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Chair Tom Spicer
Officer Pete Hamrick
Chyrel Moore
Matt Healy
Amalia Sordo-Palacios
Brandon Lawrence
Charlie Goldberg
Ryan Crain

Absent:

Kendall Fahnoe
Jonathan Kho
John Robinson
Kim Dyer

Also Present:

James McCalister, Director of Health &
Human Services

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Moore to approve the August 16, 2018 minutes and seconded by Commissioner Sordo-Palacios. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

Park District – Commissioner Healy said things are going good with a lot of new teens/staff working the C.A.P. Program, soccer referees, and they are always looking for staff if you know of anyone is looking for part-time work. Teen nights are scheduled at Olympic Park and he asked if anyone looking for volunteer hours through school, this would be a great opportunity. The teens swim and each event has a theme.

Commissioner Healy asked if high school students were required to complete volunteer hours every year or over the four years they are in high school. The Youth Members responded that each year they are required to do 25 volunteer hours. He asked about postings with listings of volunteer opportunities and will share this with the Youth Members to post at their local high school.

Trunk or Treat will be on Friday, October 26th at Public Works. Commissioner Sordo-Palacios asked if volunteers were needed as St. Viator students helped last year. Commissioner Healy said he would ask and get back to the teens.

School District – Commissioner Moore stated school is in session and testing has begun. Officer Hamrick stated that football is in full swing and Homecoming activities have started.

Arlington Heights Memorial Library - Chair Spicer said he was not able to stay for the rest of the meeting, but wanted to share his thoughts on the Gun Violence Awareness Project. He suggested the Youth Commission Google library 3D printer policies. Glen Ellyn has an interesting policy; they call out not being able to print out guns. In terms of the issue Jonathan Kho brought up, Chair Spicer liked the idea that the Youth Commission create a letter to submit to the library board and administration saying, “will you please consider these requests regarding your 3D printing policy...” The Arlington Heights Library does not currently have a policy.

Police Department – Officer Hamrick said that Saturday September 22nd was the Law Enforcement Torch Run which benefits Special Olympics – the next fundraiser will be the Plane Pull at O’Hare with 100 teams of 20 people participating. There will be two planes and each team that raises \$1,000 or more will be assigned a specific time to “pull the plane” about 10 feet.

He also mentioned that the Police Department started *High Five Friday* Program at Hersey High School. The idea is to take student athletes from the high school and Police to Patton School and Olive School, which are feeder schools to Hersey, on a Friday morning and they form a gauntlet and as the kids come in, they are “high fived” by the athletes and Police. This has been a very successful program that the kids love. The athletes also like it, especially if they went to the school they are visiting that day.

He also mentioned that the Honor Guard presented the colors at the Cubs game Sunday, September 16, 2018.

The Police Department is promoting a drive safe campaign and they are asking teens to create a 1-2 minutes public service announcement on driving safely, specifically dealing with speeding. He will provide the information to the Youth Commission with all the details. There are prizes for the best video and this is open to all teens.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Gun Violence Awareness Project

Mr. McCalister shared that he attended the Illinois Department Public Health Conference and there was a presentation on what the State of Illinois is doing regarding gun violence. He provided a brief overview to the Commission. Senate Bill337, regarding combatting illegal gun trafficking to try to make it harder to bring guns across state lines is also up for vote. This group is trying to get people to support the Bill – Strengthening Chicago’s Youth SCY.

Commissioner Healy liked the idea mentioned at the beginning of the meeting by Chair Spicer that the Youth members draft a letter to the Library. Commissioner Moore agreed and thought a letter letting the Library know that as youth, you really think this is serious. Mr. McCalister shared that there was an article in the Tribune regarding the 3D gun issue a few weeks ago. He forwarded this to Chair Spicer who could forward to the

Commission. It mentioned the surrounding libraries that have created a policy and others that are considering it.

Commissioner Moore asked the Youth Commissioners to consider bringing in three points that would be important or questions for the next meeting on how they feel the 3D printers are harmful.

B. 2019 Teen Job Fair

The 2019 Teen Job Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, February 5th from 6:00-8:00pm at the Library.

C. Youth Star Party

Commissioner Moore asked if you need to track the weather for the Star Gazing Party so you know it will be a perfect night – clear skies. Commissioner Goldberg responded that is a concern and if the winter event does not work out, they might do a summer event. Weather is the gamble with a cloudy winter night, but might be worth risking it if they can view the lunar eclipse. This is planned for Sunday, January 20, 2019 and the next day is a holiday for students. They talked about having hot chocolate available. In the summer, the skies are likely to be clear at night with the exception of a few nights. Commissioner Goldberg asked if the Park District was busy in the winter – Commissioner Healy thought they would be able to plan something and if not, maybe the Library could host. Commissioner Healy also stated he could control the lights in the park for a better view and use the park building to warm up or for refreshments. He thought Camelot would be a good location. Mr. McCalister asked if this would be for teens only and Commissioner Goldberg said they were still trying to decide the age grouping. If it was all ages, it would be more of a family event and teens might not go. He thinks this is for all ages, but they are trying to aim to having a Youth Star Party as the majority of people who do this are older and the clubs are comprised of older people, which scares the younger people away.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. McCalister shared the Daily Herald article where Hersey High School seniors invited the Arlington Heights senior citizens back to school for a day.

The Senior Commission is having their next meeting on October 15th and he wondered if the Youth Commission would like to meet the same evening at the Senior Center so the Commissions could meet and the Youth Commission could tour the Senior Center. Mr. McCalister thought this would be a good time to get the Teen Snow Shoveling Program started. He also said Commissioner Goldberg should be prepared to share the star gazing information with the Senior Citizens Commission at the October meeting. Commissioner Goldberg thought that they might need help getting telescopes, volunteers, etc. there might be connections on the Senior Citizens Commission.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Healy. Motion passed by unanimous consent and the meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm.

The next Youth Commission meeting is scheduled for 6:15pm on Monday, October 15, 2018 at the Senior Center, 1801 W. Central Road.