

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
May 20, 2024**

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Hayes; Trustees Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, LaBedz, Schwingbeck, Shirley and Tinaglia

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Baldino

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Village Manager Randy Recklaus and Assistant Village Manager Diana Mikula

OTHERS PRESENT: Sydney Galla, Michael Bauer and Michael Mulder

A. Interview of Sydney Galla for appointment to the Youth Commission (youth member), term ending April 30, 2025.

The Mayor introduced Sydney and stated she is a freshman at a local high school and that the last name may be familiar as her mother is very involved in the community.

The Mayor stated that he would like to take the two candidates for the Youth Commission at the same time. Trustees thanked both Sydney and Michael Bauer for their willingness to serve. The Trustees asked what was one issue that they saw that really affects youth today.

Sydney stated she feels that the youth today are really affected by technology and by social media. She feels that social interactions and relationships are affected by this and it is an area that many youth struggle with. Michael Bauer also felt strongly about this area and believes it is important for a variety of in person gatherings and discussion ensued.

Trustee Grasse moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment of Sydney Galla for appointment to the Youth Commission (youth member) term ending April 30, 2025. Trustee Tinaglia seconded the motion.

The following voice vote was recorded:

8 Ayes

0 Nays

The motion passed.

B. Interview of Michael Bauer for appointment to the Youth Commission (youth member), term ending April 30, 2025.

Trustees asked Michael about his stated interest in biking and making Arlington Heights more assessable by bike. The Mayor stated Michael rode his bike to the pre-interview with the Mayor. Michael stated he has found that at times it is easier to ride his bike than to drive such as to Lake Arlington. Discussion ensued about the Windsor Road diet and Michael felt like that seemed like a good plan.

Village Manager Recklaus stated that he knows Michael through Michael's involvement in the same high school band as his son and feels Michael would be a good addition to the commission.

Trustee Schwingbeck moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment of Michael Bauer for appointment to the Youth Commission term ending April 30, 2025. Trustee Dunnington seconded the motion.

The following voice vote was recorded:

8 Ayes

0 Nays

The motion passed.

C. Interview of Michael Mulder for appointment to the Arlington Economic Alliance (financial institution), term ending April 30, 2025.

Mayor Hayes introduced Michael Mulder and said that many Trustees may know him through his family and years of involvement within the community and the chamber. Michael was thanked for his involvement in the community and his willingness to serve.

Michael stated he does not fill a position to fill a seat, he likes to contribute as much as possible for success. Trustee Dunnington asked about an organization listed on Michael's resume called Buzz. Michael stated that this was a group of professionals that every year worked with a local not for profit to raise money to help people get back into the workforce.

Trustee LaBedz moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment of Michael Mulder for appointment to the Arlington Economic Alliance (financial institution) term ending April 30, 2025. Trustee Bertucci seconded the motion.

The following voice vote was recorded:

8 Ayes

0 Nays

The motion passed.

D. OTHER BUSINESS - None

E. ADJOURNMENT – Trustee LaBedz moved, seconded by Trustee Schwingbeck to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.