

Minutes for Special Events Commission Meeting January 8, 2025

Meeting called to order by Diane Jamieson at 7:02 p.m. in the Commissions Room at Village Hall

- Present: Kelly Barash, Colleen Gaughan, Cari Boyle, Diane Jamieson, Jennifer Eichorn, Matt Fink, Brad Katz, Steve Fromm, Kevin Seifert, Keri Stanley, Michelle Harris
- Staff Present: Avis Meade and Kailey Schwartzhoff
- Absent: Karen DeZellar, Laurie Mitchell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve minutes from December 18, 2024 made by Steve Fromm with a second by Brad Katz

OLD BUSINESS

- **Hearts of Gold 2025**
Hearts of Gold 2025 is on Sunday, Feb. 23, 12 p.m., at the DoubleTree Hilton in Arlington Heights. Photos of commissioners were completed and bios need to be completed for printing. Reduced number of booklets will be printed and QR codes to online bios will be available for easy reference. Venue issues from 2024 included absence of banquet staff upon arrival, lack of coordination with agreed upon layout, significant sound system failures, and excessive noise from the kitchen. These issues will be addressed for 2025. An alternative sound system will be arranged by the commission. Easels for posters are stored at Public Works and commissioners will reach out to coordinate a pick-up. Commissioners discussed potential options for additional recognition for long-term service to the Village. Invites will be stuffed by commissioners and mailed by Village Hall.
- **Swing into Spring 2025**
Swing into Spring 2025 will take place on Saturday, May 10, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. A comparable swing ride has been booked since the previous swing ride was sold by the company. Local school bands will be contacted by commissioners to gauge interest/availability in performing. Volunteers are a concern due to Hersey's prom. Village staff will share a social post encouraging high school volunteer sign ups.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. was made by Colleen Gaughan with a second from Kelly Barash.