



AGENDA  
Youth Commission  
Commissions Room  
Arlington Heights Village Hall  
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd., AH 60005  
June 18, 2026  
6:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS
  - A. New Commissioner
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. April 16, 2026 Minutes
- IV. REPORTS
  - A. Library
  - B. Park District
  - C. Police Department
  - D. Schools
  - E. Members at Large
- V. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Chamber of Commerce
    - 1. Consider the opportunities for partnering with the AH Chamber of Commerce
  - B. Lawn Mowing and Snow Shoveling Referral Program
    - 1. Update on FAQs for the program - Commissioners Hong, McQuade and Georgeakopoulos will draft and review to present at meeting.
    - 2. Program feedback and promotion
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Commission's Intent and Purpose
    - 1. Gain insight and discuss what issues affect the welfare of teens in our community currently.
- VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements / Correspondence

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to speak on a subject not on the Agenda may speak at this time. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**Minutes  
Youth Commission  
Village Hall, Commissions Room  
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.  
April 16, 2026  
6:00 PM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Son called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present**

Alice Son, Chair  
Matt Healy  
Alejandria Galarza  
Colin Smith  
Christopher Hong  
Sydney Galla  
Aleena Patel  
Riley Phillips  
Ava McQuade

**Also Present**

Mila Tsagalis, Liaison  
Kimberly Witt, Administrative Assistant  
Sergeant Scanlon, AHPD

**Absent**

Afroz Hafeez  
Taryn Holdman  
Maria Georgakopoulos

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Minutes from February 19, 2026**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hong to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2026, meeting, seconded by Commissioner McQuade and approved by unanimous consent.**

**IV. REPORTS**

**A. Library**

Commissioner Galarza reported that the library will celebrate its 100th anniversary on Sunday, April 19, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. with activities, prizes, and refreshments. She noted The Hub recently turned 13 and will offer mini golf, snacks, and crafts during open hours next week. She also shared updates on summer preparations, including final study lounge, voluntary summer reading outreach, and the Summer Volunteer Squad for students in grades 7–12.

#### **B. Park District**

Commissioner Healy reported that the Park District is concluding its 100th anniversary celebration. He noted that construction projects are nearing completion, with some work still ongoing. Preparations for the outdoor pool season and summer programming are underway. Rec Park construction continues, with a potential partial opening later this summer. Planning is also in progress for the 50th anniversary of Frontier Days and future improvements to Frontier Park.

#### **C. Police Department**

No Report.

#### **D. Schools**

No report.

#### **E. Members at Large**

Commissioners Galla and Phillips from Prospect High School reported that AP testing is approaching and students recently completed in-school ACT testing. They noted ongoing air conditioning issues in the school. They also shared highlights from a recent Harvard Model Congress trip to Boston and reported that the student body is preparing for Teacher Appreciation Week.

Commissioner Smith from Viator High School reported that there are no major updates and that students are preparing for upcoming AP testing.

Commissioner Patel from Rolling Meadows High School reported that the school is hosting its annual spring fundraiser for Rotary, featuring activities such as pie-in-the-face and water balloon events with teachers. She noted that students are preparing for graduation and upcoming AP testing. Commissioner Patel also shared that she is graduating and will attend the University of Michigan.

Commissioner McQuade from Hersey High School reported that classes are concluding final units and students are preparing for AP testing. She noted that end-of-year schedules are being finalized and shared that the school's annual duck hatching project will take place, with opportunities for students to foster the ducks.

Commissioner Hong from Buffalo Grove High School reported that ACT testing was completed last week and students are now preparing for AP exams, finals, and end-of-year coursework. He noted that spring sports are mid-season and prom season is approaching, generating excitement among juniors and seniors.

Commissioner Hong, a member of the CIS Youth Committee, shared updates on the committee's drug prevention efforts for at-risk youth. He reported participation in town hall meetings, Narcan training events, and annual advocacy in Springfield with the Illinois Prevention Network. This year's advocacy efforts included supporting a lower legal blood alcohol concentration and a ban on unregulated THC products.

He also raised concerns about emerging unregulated substances, including products derived from kratom (such as 7-OH compounds), noting their increasing availability and potential risks to youth. He emphasized the importance of continued awareness and prevention efforts regarding these substances.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. E-Bike Regulations**

Sergeant Scanlon of the Traffic Unit provided an overview of updated e-bike regulations and the ordinance development process, noting ongoing changes at both the local and state levels. He reviewed key provisions including speed classifications, age requirements, and safety rules. He highlighted that higher-speed or modified e-bicycles exceeding 28 mph are prohibited and subject to fines and possible seizure.

He emphasized safety concerns and enforcement priorities, with a focus on education and reckless use, and noted that future state legislation may further standardize regulations.

*Due to a Commissioner needing to leave early, the meeting proceeded to New Business.*

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Chamber of Commerce**

The Commission discussed inviting a Chamber of Commerce and/or Rotary representative to present volunteer opportunities and explore potential collaboration, as introduced by Commissioner Healy. Commissioners also considered coordinated participation in community service activities.

Commissioner Phillips provided information on Aceing Autism, an adaptive tennis program for youth with autism, and discussed opportunities for Commission support, including marketing and a potential volunteer day.

A motion was made and approved to invite a representative to a future meeting in June; if unavailable, the item will be postponed to a later meeting.

*The Commission returned to Old Business.*

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

### **B. Teen Job Fair**

Commissioners reviewed the Teen Job Fair, noting 306 attendees and strong participation from an increased number of businesses. Overall, the event was successful with improved flow, application/resume stations, staggered arrivals, and well-organized raffle procedures. Feedback from attendees and businesses was positive.

For future events, Commissioners suggested increasing employer participation—especially paid summer employers—and considering adjustments to outreach and event timing to better align with hiring cycles.

**C. Lawn Mowing & Snow Shoveling Referral Program**

Commissioners reviewed the report provided by the Senior Center on the Lawn Mowing and Snow Shoveling Referral Program. The program included 142 student participants and 436 resident sign-ups, with low survey response rates but overall strong engagement.

Discussion focused on improving outreach (especially to middle schools), enhancing student–resident matching through general geographic zones, and continued use of social media for promotion. Commissioners also briefly reviewed pricing guidance (\$15–\$30 per job) and program logistics.

The FAQ sheet will be revisited at a future meeting.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Announcements / Correspondence**

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner McQuade, seconded by Commissioner Hong, moved to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. all concurred and the motion carried unanimously.**



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**Item:** Commission's Intent and Purpose

**Department:** Health & Human Services

**Item Description:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None



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