



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Community Relations
Regular Meeting
March 7, 2024
7:00PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center

Board or Commission: Community Relations
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Date: March 7, 2024
Called to Order: 7:39 p.m.
Adjourned: 8:47 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Sania Irwin	Chairperson	Present
Mir Ali	Commissioner	Present
Molly McGinnis Knapke	Commissioner	Absent
Nancy McKee	Commissioner	Present
Robert Moorehead	Commissioner	Present
Maariya Quadri	Commissioner	Absent
Alisha Badie	Student Commissioner	Present
Also Present:		
Grant Paplauskas	Communications Coordinator	Present
Donna Jean Simon	Trustee Liaison	Present
Dawn Bussey	Library Executive Director	Present
David McDonald	Manager of Recreation Services GE Park District	Absent
Public Present:		

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The March 7, 2024 regular meeting of the Community Relations Commission was called to order by Chairperson Irwin at 7:39 PM at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2024 MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2024 COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

MOTION BY: Commissioner Ali

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Moorehead

RESULT: Unanimous

C. COMMISSION LIAISON INTRODUCTIONS/REPORTS

1. Police Liaison Report– No report.

2. *Trustee Report* –Trustee Simon informs the commission she will follow up to make sure the Civility Pledge is incorporated into the opening announcement at Village Board meetings. She also confirms the DEI Resource Guide is on the consent agenda for March 11.

3. *Park District Liaison Report* – No report

4. *Library Liaison Report* – No report

5. *Staff Report* – No report

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

E. COMMISSION ACTION DISCUSSION

1. Women's History Month - Chairperson Irwin acknowledges Women's History Month, expressing appreciation for the significant contributions of women. Irwin expresses gratitude to Commissioner Ali for creating the "Did You Know" write-up on Women's History Month. The commission deliberates on how best to share this information with the community and agrees to publish all created content on the website, including the infographic in the newsletter.

Commissioner Ali motions to approve the Did You Know write up on Women's History Month; Student Commissioner Badie seconds the motion.

APPROVAL OF DID YOU KNOW WRITE UP ON WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

MOTION BY: Commissioner Ali

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Badie

RESULT: Unanimous

2. Partnership with Glen Art Theater – Chairperson Irwin provides an update on the partnership with Glen Art Theater, noting that the rental cost for morning use is \$300. Irwin mentions that the commission will await Commissioner McGinnis-Knapke full report on this matter. Commissioner Moorehead offers to gather information about the College of DuPage’s film schedule. Trustee Simon suggests the need to determine the cost of films for use. Irwin requests the CRC to consider which films the commissioners would like to feature.

3. Planning for Commission Quarterly Newsletter/eblast - Staff Liaison Paplauskas suggests including an introduction to the CRC and highlighting the commission's accomplishments in the upcoming eblast. The CRC agrees to proceed with this topic for the eblast, along with linking to the commission website.

4. Recent Events – Latin Dance Event – Library Liaison Bussey reports attending the event, noting its strong attendance. She mentions that COD acknowledged the CRC during the event as a gesture of gratitude for the partnership. The event featured a dance instructor who taught three Latin dances, making it an enjoyable event.

5. Upcoming Events/Recognitions:

- Refuge Journey Simulation – April 20 at the Library.
- Speaking at Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce: Tuesday, May 14, 2024.
- May: Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Commissioner Quadri will author the Did You Know piece.
- June: LGBTQ Pride Month – Student Commissioner Badie volunteers to author the Did You Know piece.
- Juneteenth – Student Commissioner Badie volunteers to author the Did You Know piece.

F. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE

Commissioner Ali motions and Commissioner McKee seconds to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

The next meeting – April 4, 2024.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Grant Paplauskas, Staff Liaison