

Flossmoor Community Relations Commission

Meeting Notes
August 23, 2016

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Community Relations Commission was called to order at 7:05 pm at Flossmoor Village Hall.

Present: Chairperson Laura Brennan-Levy, Commissioners Maggie Bachus, Tony Parker

Absent: Greg Byron, Shelley Amuh and Scott Ford. There was not a quorum to hold an official meeting, but the following was discussed.

Staff in attendance: Assistant Village Manager Allison Deitch, Police Officer Keith Taylor

II. Residents Present Wishing to Address the Commission

There were no residents present to address the commission.

III. Agenda Items

- A. Approval of the July 26, 2016 Minutes
No action was taken on the minutes. They will be considered at the next meeting.
- B. Open Items
 1. 2016 Flossmoor Fest
 - Community Connections
 - Passport to Flossmoor Fest
 - HF Chronicle Photo Board
 - New Resident Postcard
 - Commissioner signup for booth

The commission discussed the plan for the CRC booth. New residents received a postcard invitation to Flossmoor Fest with a request to visit the CRC booth. New residents will be given a reusable bag containing a Community Connections List and a water bottle. Residents will be invited to play a passport game to win a free rain barrel. HF Chronicle staff will have a selfie photo board for community members. Commissioners will select a two-hour timeslot and we will also have NJHS volunteer helpers.

2. Recruitment of New Commissioners
 - Status update
 - HFHS Student Intern

Chairperson Laura Brennan-Levy screened nine candidates for the commission. Notes have been submitted to the mayor. Bridget Wachtel will talk to HF High School about a commission intern.

3. Movies in the Park follow-up

The movie was well attended. The police department served free blue snow cones and were a big hit.

C. Reports

1. Green Committee

2. Police Liaison

The commission talked with Officer Taylor about making a connection with Parker Jr. High. Officer Taylor talked about a "Ride Along" program where residents can accompany police on duty. He also discussed training on "What To Do When Stopped by the Police". A flyer is available for the community.

IV. New Business

The Art Commission is hosting a fundraiser Oct 8 – Pull Up a Chair. They are looking for community organizations to submit chairs for the auction.

V. Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm