



PUBLIC NOTICE

Meeting - Public Information Committee

February 23, 2022, 10:00 AM

Village Hall

31 W. Quincy Street, Westmont, IL

MINUTES

1. **Call To Order** - Meeting called to order at 10:01am by Chair Jinny Szymiski, Szymiski asked PIC Staff Liaison Larry McIntyre to lead the group through the rest of the agenda.
2. **Roll Call** - By observation - PIC Chair Jinny Szymiski, PIC Staff Liaison Larry McIntyre, Manager Steve May, Jenny Babyar; Online: Greg Pantke, Dustin Kleefisch, Zach Chorney, Kristina Kaniuskaite, Dave Weiss, Brittany Smith, Ron Gunter, Mel Brendle, Josh Krogull, Alison Clemens, Mike Ramsey, Larry Forssberg
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Clerk Szymiski led the group in the pledge of allegiance
4. **Open Forum** - None at this time
5. **Minutes** - Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting by Alison Clemens, second by Jinny Szymiski, approved by voice vote
6. **Community Events Permit Request Forms** - McIntyre reminded the group that any event seeking to use village right of way or resources would require a community events permit request, which is processed by Deputy Clerk Alicja Richards
7. **2022 Events**
 - a. **Village Departments**
 - i. **Police**
 1. Mike Weibler sent a note saying he had no report at this time
 2. NOTE - The NATIONALLY-established date for National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is April 30, 2022 – 10AM to 2PM, but Westmont details are not yet confirmed
 - ii. **Fire**
 1. **EMA** - Pantke reported that EMA will assist with the Special



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Recycle event on April 16. McIntyre reported the US Luge event is tentatively set for June. EMA assistance is requested.

iii. Public Works

1. Ramsey reported Public Works will be assisting with the following events:
 - a. April 16 Special Recycle Event
 - b. Race To The Flag on the Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend
 - c. Various EIC events such as storm drain in June and tree seedling giveaway on Arbor Day
 - d. US Luge event June 10-12
 - e. Public Works Open House is May 21, 10a-1pm.
 - f. DuPage River Sweep - May 21 - 9a-Noon
 - g. McIntyre stated that there may be an Earth Day event at Richmond Gardens
 - h. McIntyre reported that the EIC is working on several initiatives which includes website updates and programming

iv. Communications

1. The new Westmont Newsletter is now being produced in-house - reminders for submissions for the May-June issue will go out in about 3 weeks
2. EIC Update
 - a. Paper Shred Events - hosted by the Police Dept. - Date TBD
 - b. Storm Drain Stenciling - June
 - c. River Sweep - May
 - d. Tree Seedling Giveaway - On Arbor Day 1-5pm at Library
 - e. Earth Day - at Richmond Gardens
 - f. Richmond Gardens - Planning to schedule a training for program partners



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b. Public Agencies

- i. **Maercker School District** - No update
- ii. **CUSD201** - No update
- iii. **Park District** - Kleefisch provided several updates
 1. Winter Beer Fest - Thank you to EMA, PW & PD, it was very successful - sold 722 tickets.
 2. 3 Easter programs coming up - U Got Egg'd, Flashlight Egg Hunt, Traditional egg Hunt.
 3. Historical Society - Spring Palette Art Show March 20
- iv. **Library** - Smith provided several updates
 1. Hit goal of 1000 books for Winter Read
 2. Spring story time
 3. Summer reading events
 4. Newsletters hit homes

c. Community Organizations

- i. **Westmont Chamber** - Clemens gave several updates
 1. We are in the middle of Restaurant Week
 2. Multi Chamber Meeting at McGrath Lexus Feb.24
 3. Ribbon cutting at music academy March11
 4. Open house March 16
 5. Economic outlook April 19
 6. Readers choice voting March 3 to 24
 7. Golf Classic June 10
 8. Pet Promenade Sept 18
 9. FMC event Mar 2-5 & FMC event Mar 25-27
- ii. **Lions Club**
 1. Reverse raffle Feb. 25 at KC's
 2. Race To The Flag Memorial Day
 3. Spring Fling BBQ - amateur BBQ comp, carnival, memorial day weekend on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- iii. **Rotary Club**



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1. Clerk Szymiski mentioned there is nothing at this time, they will hopefully get involved with Lions Memorial Day event

iv. **PRC**

1. McNytre mentioned our website lists volunteer opportunities, including PRC as one of them

v. **Westmont Special Events** - Kaniauskaite reported on several items

1. **Peace Hope and Love Project** - 9 businesses have signed up for the Window Painting Project. Residents can also send their own art or essay to WSEC and several residents have done so
2. **Irish Jig & Swig Pub Crawls** - March 12 and will visit 8 locations throughout town
3. **Cruisin' Nights** - Thursdays June, July and August, and Sept. 1 is the last night - 14 events
4. **Taste of Westmont** - Taste of Westmont will be held July 7-10
5. **Creative Arts Network Art Classes** - There have been 3 classes so far, all led by local professional artists. Positive feedback from students

8. **Misc. / Next Meeting**

- a. **Knights of Columbus** - Annual Fish Fry
- b. **Westmont Pharmacy** - There will be a Vaccination Event at Westmont Pharmacy Sat. 26, 9-1pm
- c. **Memorial Day Parade** - The question was asked if there will be a Memorial Day parade in 2022.

9. **Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn by Manager May, second by Clerk Szymiski at 10:31a.m.

- *NOTE - These minutes approved at the April 27, 2022 Public Information Committee Meeting*