

Morton Grove Community Relations Committee Agenda and Meeting Notice

Monday January 15, 2024 6:30 p.m. 2nd Floor Scanlon Conference Room 6101 Capulina Morton Grove, IL 60053

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of September 19, 2023
- 3. PROGRAMS & EVENTS
 - a. Outstanding Neighbor
 - i. No new nominees
 - b. Neighborhood Outreach
 - i. Thursday February 15, 2024, Location TBD
 - 1. Volunteers needed
 - ii. Thursday May 16, 2024, 6:00 pm Location TBD
 - iii. Thursday October 17, 2024, 6:00 pm Location TBD
 - c. Adopt a Planter,
 - i. Summer
 - 1. Plant Pick up Day Proposed date June 1, 2024
 - ii. Winter
 - 1. Plant Pick up Day Proposed date November 23, 2024
 - d. Photo Contest (Summer 2024) June 1- September 1
 - e. 2024 Resident Handbook Submit final revisions
 - f. Community Garage Sale
 - i. Choose weekend and discuss sponsors
 - ii. Proposed date: June 7 9
 - g. Free Little Library
 - h. Community Block Party Weekend
 - i. Discuss block party kit
- 4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Board and Commission Appreciation Night Thursday, February 29, 2024, 6:30pm @ Civic Center
- 5. OTHER BUSINESS
 - a. Meeting Schedule:
 - i. March 18, 2024
 - ii. May 20, 2024
 - iii. July 15, 2024
 - iv. September 16, 2024
 - v. November 18, 2024
- 6. AUDIENCE COMMENTS
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING MORTON GROVE VILLAGE HALL – 6101 CAPULINA AVE MORTON GROVE, IL 60053

Pursuant to proper notice in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Trustee Connie Travis who led the assemblage in the pledge of allegiance. In attendance were:

Members: Robert Burkhart, Kristey Chalabi, Patrick Baldwin, Janice Cha

Absent: Volha Liston, Ginny Ching-Yin Lo

Village Staff: Trustee Connie Travis, Corporation Counsel Teresa Hoffman Liston

Guest: Lisa Khabeer, Macy Khabeer

Trustee Travis asked for approval of minutes for the May 16, 2023. Motion made by Commissioner Chalabi and seconded by Commissioner Burkhart. Minutes approved unanimously via voice vote.

Trustee Travis reviewed programs and events.

- Outstanding Neighbor: October 10, 2023 the MEC will be honored. They were nominated by Malloy School. Commissioner Chalabi volunteered to do the presentation.
- Neighborhood Outreach: The next meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2023 at 6pm at Parkview School.

Trustee Travis asked for volunteers to sign up to be at the welcome table.

- Summer Adopt a Planter: Planters will be cleaned up September 25
- Winter Adopt a Planter: Planters will be assigned by November 20, 2023. The Village will have live trees, Red Twig Dogwood, and other winter plant selections.

Commissioner Baldwin asked about the long-term care for the Red Twig Dogwood. Terry Liston said that the Village has woodchips that they will use for the pots.

• Summer Photo Contest: Many submissions this year, thank you to all the Commission members for voting.

Commissioner Cha asked if the Village sends out any information about the winners in the e-news? Terry Liston said she will have staff look into it. It has been posted on Facebook.

- **Resident Handbook:** Terry Liston asked commission members to look through the handbook and submit any changes by December so the handbook can be ready to go at the beginning of the year.
- Community Artist Performance: On hold.
- **Community Block Party:** Block Party Kits are available on the Village website. Commissioner Cha will submit information to make Block Party's more sustainable by the next meeting.

Trustee Travis introduced new business. Arcelia Pimentel has resigned as the chairman for the Community Relations Commission. Mayor DiMaria will appoint a new chairperson in January.

In other business, the next meeting in on November 21. Terry Liston mentioned that the next meeting is usually the planning meeting for next year, however this year it falls on the week of Thanksgiving and if anyone is unable to come to that meeting then to please submit any suggestions for next years planning. Commission member's suggested moving the meeting date if needed.

Guest Lisa Khabeer wanted to mention to the commission that she works as a social media content creator and offered to help promote any CRC business as needed. She is also interested in joining the commission.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7:08 PM. Motion was made by Commissioner Cha and seconded by Commissioner Baldwin. Approved unanimously via voice vote.

