

**MINUTES
CITY OF DEKALB
CITIZENS' COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMISSION
JANUARY 22, 2019**

The Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission held a regular meeting on January 22, 2019 in the DeKalb Municipal Building, 200 South Fourth Street, DeKalb, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Roll call was recorded by Economic Development Planner Jason Michnick and the following members of the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission (CCEC) present were: Chair Brad Hoey, Melissa Beck, Deborah Booth, Sue Johnson, Ellingsworth Webb and Jeanine Holcomb. Absent: Brad Pietens.

Also present: City Manager Bill Nicklas.

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Sue Johnson motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Deborah Booth. Motion carried on a voice vote and agenda approved.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Melissa Beck motioned to approve the November 19, 2018 minutes; seconded by Jeanine Holcomb. Motion carried on a voice vote and the minutes were approved.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

E. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and Approval of Paint-a-Plug Applications.

Two applications were received – one from the Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois and the other from DeKalb County Home Educators. Once approved, signed waivers will be needed from each applicant. Jason Michnick will share all of the submissions with the CCEC. Someone asked if a website or Facebook gallery was possible with all of the hydrants once they are painted. Will need to check with staffing on that.

Discussion ensued regarding a competition where the community picks their favorite hydrant and acknowledge them at a Council meeting. Someone asked if voting should take place during ARTigras or have a hydrant painting at ARTigras. Jason Michnick

and Jeanine Holcomb will meet with ARTigras committee and report back if Paint-a-Plug day should be part of ARTigras or before.

Jeanine Holcomb motioned to approve; seconded by Ellingsworth Webb. Motion carried. Jason Michnick will choose downtown locations and send with approval letter.

2. Continued Discussion on Mission and Duties of the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission – Aligning with the Annie Glidden North Revitalization Plan.

Bill Nicklas updated the commission on his vision for how the CCEC could be involved with the AGN Plan. Review ideas and be a sounding board for the community.

Ideas:

Landscaping event where residents plant some sort of flowering plant that enhances Welsh Park. How would that get approved? Through park board? We should invite Park District to the next meeting to get update on what they are planning for Welsh Park.

How much are planters? Could we implement the planter program in AGN? Don't limit it to AGN, think about community as a whole.

Projects to discuss in greater depth:

- A5 – signage and streetscape ideas for Greek Row.
- Transit map – EDC working on this. Jason provided a summary of that project.
- B1 – Food and Community Center
- A2 – Welsh Park: invite park to get update on that process and how to get involved.
- B9 – Kiosks

G. ADJOURNMENT

Sue Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jeanine Holcomb. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Notes taken by Jason Michnick. Minutes transcribed by Ruth Scott.

RUTH A. SCOTT, Executive Assistant

Minutes approved by the CCEC: March 18, 2019.