

Citizens Advisory Board Regular Meeting

March 29, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

Village Hall Board Room

1. **Call to Order:** Called to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Anisa Peraica(AP), Maggie Ladas(ML), Mike Finelli(MF), Lou Liotine(LL), Kevin Tallman (KT)

Absent: Brooke Kelly(BK), Dave Hoekstra(DH),

Staff Present: Staff Liaison/Acting Village Manager, Dawn Wucki-Rossbach

Recorder: Anisa Peraica(AP)

4. **Review of Minutes:** Approval of 2.22.23 minutes. ML motions to approve, AP seconds.

5. Old Business

- a) Consensus to CAB's 2023 priorities and "plan of work"
 - i) Ongoing discussion
- b) Review proposed edits/changes to CAB's 2.46.050 ordinance
 - i) ML is working on compiling these requested revisions.
- c) Mid-century modern walk (AP on behalf of DH)
 - i) We have been in touch with the Baltis family, historians and architects to provide history on Westchester and Walter S. Baltis
- d) Westchester Fest cancellation debrief
 - i) CAB believes there is insufficient amount of time and appropriate village staff to plan and execute an festival for this July.
- e) Westchester Public Art: Needs more in depth proposal (costs, etc.) in order to move forward. AP will continue to work on this.
 - i) Need to see what the policy on the books is first, get VB approval first.
- f) CAB email: Dawn needs to find the right staff member who will be able to assist with getting our emails on our laptops.
- g) CAB discussed and voted on increasing size of board from 7 to 9.
 - i) ML made a motion, AP seconded
 - ii) Vote was no to increasing the size of the CAB at this time. CAB dis say we can revisit this topic in the future.
 - iii) Voting Record for this motion: **NO vote: LL, ML, AP - YES vote: MF, KT - Absent: BK, DH**
- h) Senior Awareness Initiative – MF provided a 1 sheeter with information and ideas to raise more awareness for senior initiatives and services in Westchester.
 - i) Board agreed that this is a worthwhile and important proposal. First profile in May edition and published monthly. Create and launch a survey as well.

6. New Business

- a) Board Reports will be submitted by Staff Liaison/Acting Village Manager Dawn Wucki-Rossbach
 - i) May 1st is when there will be a new fiscal Village budget (side note)
 - ii) Establishing deadlines - Agenda by Tuesday by noon 1 week before. Order is as follows: COW then goes to VB

7. **Public Participation:** In order to give as many visitors as possible an opportunity to speak and in the interest of adjourning the meeting by 8:00 p.m., please limit your comments to 3 minutes in length, unless further time is granted by the Commission.

Attending Residents: Nicole Molinaro (GROW commission), Victoria Vann, Gia Marie Benline, Ed Lezza.

Nicole Molinaro: Asked if Westchester Fest was taking place this year. Mentioned that Grassroots Walk is taking place on July 22nd. Possibility of CAB piggybacking on this event by providing food and music?

Victoria Vann: Commented on aging in place topic, added that access living is the backbone in how senior services are administered in the state. Suggested looking at Walgreens because they are big at helping navigate the system

Ed Lezza: Mentioned his neighbor, Geoffrey Smith, is an artist and might be interested in participating in producing a mural or some type of art.

Gia Marie Benline: Stated that she has a contact at Century 21 for the Westchester house walk.

Motion to adjourn made by ML, AP seconded.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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