

Community Relations Committee Minutes  
Wednesday, October 2, 2024

In attendance: Lisi Biciocchi, Robin Philipbar, Sandy Janowski, Ingrid Moore (by phone), and Chris Keefe, Liaison to Council

1. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Biciocchi at 10 a.m.
2. No members of the public were present.
3. Approval of Minutes: Ms. Keefe motioned to approve the minutes from August 7, 2024. Ms. Philipbar seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
4. Coffee with Conversation: This event held September 20th was well attended and featured Joe Hinks, Code Enforcement Constable. Topics discussed included permitting, flood insurance rates, and fire pits.
5. Planning for next Coffee with Conversation: The next date will be October 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Cindy Van Horn, Councilwoman, will lead the event. Ms. Biciocchi suggested asking Village Volunteers to lead the November Coffee with Conversation.
6. Fall Bonfire: The bonfire will be held Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. The committee is providing marshmallows and sticks. Solar powered tiki torches will be used again.
7. Holiday Tree Lighting and Community Food Drive: The musician is booked to provide entertainment. The time will be moved up to 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cookies and hot chocolate will be provided by the committee. Giveaways will be candy canes. The tree will be set up and decorated by December 5<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Dondero will be asked to speak. Car trunks will be set up for the collection of food donations, making it easier to take to the food bank.
8. Adopt a Canal program: The committee would like to turn over maintenance of the canal ends to the town as it is no longer part of the Community Relations Committee.
9. Review Process for Updating Storyboards on Russell Road: The storyboards are now ten years old and deteriorating. The ballpark figure to update all the boards is \$2,000. This project should be included in next year's budget.
10. The next committee meeting will be November 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.
11. The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.