

**MEETING MINUTES
 COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
 CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
 MAY 23, 2017 – 5:30PM
 CITY HALL – FOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM
 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI**

CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chair Kendzierski at 5:35PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christoph, Greening, Haynes, Hubbard, Kendzierski, Pitchford and Seelye

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Smith

#	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO	FORMAL MOTIONS:
3	APPROVAL OF AGENDA May 23, 2017		MOTION BY: SEELYE SUPPORT BY: HUBBARD To approve the agenda as published. MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY
4	APPROVAL OF MINUTES February 28, 2017		MOTION BY: HUBBARD SUPPORT BY: CHRISTOPH To approve the February 28, 2017 minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY
5	AGENDA ITEM: MEMBERSHIP – COMMITMENT TO 2017 DATES	Chair Kendzierski asked all members about their availability for the next meeting scheduled for August 22, 2017 and reminded all members that there will be no meeting in June or July; but members will be walking in the founders festival in July and that will be discussed later in meeting.	
6	AGENDA ITEM: NEW BUSINESS	<p>a. Discussion on New Boards and Commissions Ordinance.</p> <p>Clerk Smith provided an overview of the ordinance that was adopted by Council on Monday evening, May 22, 2017 and would take effect 21 days from enactment.</p> <p>She noted that the Mayor intends to roll out the terms of the ordinance by meeting with staff liaisons and possibly Chairs with the intent that all boards and commissions will be in compliance by the end of the year. A template will be provided for each board/commission to prepare their by-laws.</p> <p>b. Founders parade</p> <p>City Clerk Smith inquired about availability of the members to walk in the Founders Parade.</p>	

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		<p>Member Greening distributed some brochures to help decide on give-a-ways for the parade. She also mentioned that she had generic bags that we could use for our give-a-ways and the members thought that was a good idea and that we could use a sticker for with the Committee name rather than purchasing new bags.</p> <p>The members liked the idea of fans and visors. Member Greening was going to look into pricing</p> <p>Clerk Smith stated that she would also purchase candy and a couple of beach balls and other small items to go with the theme “Hot Fun in the Summer Time”. Members can wear any shirt they want for the parade from past years.</p> <p>c. Candidate Debate at Schools City Clerk Smith stated that she had the letter that was sent last year or previous years and would send that to Chair Kendzierski to tweak and send out asking schools to keep it in mind for October. We would touch base with schools again once they return in September with potential dates.</p>	
7	<p>AGENDA ITEM:</p> <p>OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>a. 2017 School Voter Registration Drives Clerk Smith mentioned that one of the students helping out at the North Farmington High School Voter Registration Drive attempted to attend the last meeting that was canceled. She was hoping to be here this evening but unable to make it. Clerk Smith reported that a couple members of the Committee attended each voter registration drive – one held at North Farmington and the other at Harrison High School. Approximately 111 students registered at North and about 65 students at Harrison.</p> <p>Members commented on how polite and helpful the students were at each location during the voter registration drives.</p> <p>b. Social Media Discussion Update Chair Kendzierski reminded members to use social media to tweet or post about upcoming meetings, openings on the Committee, the parade, etc.</p> <p>Clerk Smith also stated that it would be a good tool to get information out about the open houses proposed for when the new voting equipment arrives and those dates are set. She will keep</p>	

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		members posted on that information.	
8	AGENDA ITEM: MY VOTE COUNTS	<p>a. Commitment from members for August taping.</p> <p>Member Greening suggested that if the new student member were interested to have her tape a segment of My Vote Counts. She has taped several shows that were fantastic!</p> <p>Member Greening agreed to tape a segment in August for My Vote Counts for the upcoming November 7, 2017 General City Election.</p> <p>b. Upcoming segments on history of voting rights “My Vote Costs” – Black History Month and Suffragette Movement</p> <p>Members discussed meeting on their own to prepare information for upcoming segments for next year. The information would be brought to the next meeting in August. (Member Seelye left the meeting at this time)</p>	
9	AGENDA ITEM: COHA UPDATE	<p>It was noted that the candidate’s debate with COHA was scheduled for the 1st Tuesday in October, 2017.</p> <p>Member Haynes mentioned that at the last meeting of COHA they had an attorney present discussing the legal matters of Homeowners Associations.</p>	
10	PUBLIC COMMENTS	There were no public comments.	
11	ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.	
	MINUTES PREPARED BY	Pam Smith, City Clerk	