

**MEETING MINUTES
 COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
 CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
 JANUARY 26 – 5:30PM
 CITY HALL – FOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM
 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI**

CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chair Kendzierski at 5:30pm

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kerry

OTHERS PRESENT: Deputy City Clerk Hotchkiss

| # | AGENDA ITEM | DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO | FORMAL MOTIONS: |
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| 3 | <p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</p> <p>January 26, 2016</p> | <p>Add under Membership: Commitment, Contact Information, Officer Roles</p> <p>Add under My Vote Counts, item b.: Black History of what it took to vote and Suffragette Movement</p> | <p>MOTION BY: Pitchford SUPPORT BY: Seelye</p> <p>TO APPROVE AS AMENDED.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| 4 | <p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>November 24, 2015</p> | <p>No Changes</p> | <p>MOTION BY: Haynes SUPPORT BY: Hubbard</p> <p>TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| 5 | <p>AGENDA ITEM:</p> <p>MEMBERSHIP</p> | <p>a. Current member</p> <p>Chair Kendzierski discussed that members should be committed to the committee and do their best to attend each meeting.</p> <p>Deputy Clerk Hotchkiss passed around a roster to allow members to update their information and provide current email address.</p> <p>Chair Kendzierski mentioned that there should be a Vice Chair to run the meetings in the Chair’s absence. Member Haynes nominated Member Christoph. Member Christoph accepted the position.</p> <p>b. NHS/MYC membership</p> <p>Member Greening indicated that she had a potential student member. She noted that this student was a</p> | |

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| | | <p>sophomore as well as a junior optimist. The student was checking with her parents to see if her schedule permits.</p> <p>Deputy Clerk Hotchkiss indicated that Clerk Smith had contact both NHS programs.</p> | |
| 6 | <p>AGENDA ITEM:</p> <p>NEW BUSINESS</p> | <p>a. High School Registration Drives</p> <p>Deputy Clerk Hotchkiss indicated that there were no dates set but looking at mid-March or early-April. An email will be sent to the committee once a date is established.</p> <p>Member Hubbard offered to attend the drives as long as it was not in the first week of April.</p> <p>Member Pitchford also volunteered to attend the drives.</p> | |
| 7 | <p>AGENDA ITEM:</p> <p>OLD BUSINESS</p> | <p>a. Social media discussion update</p> <p>Deputy Clerk Hotchkiss informed the committee that the City currently uses Facebook, Listserve, Twitter, as well as emails to local newspapers as forms of social media. She also noted that some election information is put out on the City's electronic sign.</p> <p>Various ideas were discussed as to how the committee could use the City's social media to get information out to voters.</p> <p>b. Other ideas to increase voter participation</p> <p>Members suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redistributing the City's posts on Facebook on their own pages • The possibility of the City sending out a statement from the committee • Linking the My Vote Counts videos to the City Clerk's Election Information Page • Honoring and interviewing first voter or long time precinct worker • Sending out Presidential Primary FAQ's via social media <p>Deputy Clerks Hotchkiss indicated she would speak to the Clerk and they would provide the committee with the following:</p> | <p>MOTION BY:</p> <p>SUPPORT BY:</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED:</p> |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City policy on sending out statement from committee • Recognition for first voter or long time precinct worker • Link to My Vote Counts videos • Would letter to editor from committee require City approval | |
| 8 | <p>AGENDA ITEM:</p> <p>MY VOTE COUNTS</p> | <p>a. Presidential Primary Segment</p> <p>Discussion was held on getting further information out on the Presidential Primary.</p> <p>Deputy Clerks Hotchkiss indicated that she will look into sending out the FAQ's via social media</p> <p>Discussion was held on other My Vote Count topics but the committee decided to go with what they have out there now so that voters were not confused.</p> <p>b. Upcoming Segments on the history of voting rights "My Vote Costs"</p> <p>a. Black History of what it took to get the vote</p> <p>Member Pitchford indicated that he would prepare a letter to the editor and send out to the group for review, with a due date of 2/9.</p> <p>b. Suffragette Movement</p> <p>Member Greening indicated that she would be willing to tape a My Vote Counts regarding National Women's Day and the Suffragette Movement</p> <p>Discussion was held on other potential topics. Member Christoph, Haynes and Chair Kendzierski mentioned that they would meet to discuss other ideas and bring them back to the committee.</p> <p>Discussion was held on the types of reports, charts and voter information that could be provided to the committee. Deputy Clerk Hotchkiss indicated that they are many types of reports that could be obtained and that the committee should specify which ones they want</p> | |

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| | | <p>and from what election.</p> <p>Member Greening indicated that the 2008 Election would be the best to compare stats to and all that information is available on Oakland County's website.</p> | |
| 9 | <p>AGENDA ITEM: COHA</p> | <p>Member Seelye indicated that the candidate's forum is scheduled for September 27, 2016. Chair Kendzierski noted that she will work with Member Seelye.</p> <p>Member Seelye indicated that the next meeting will be March 15 and Mark Makower will be speaking.</p> | |
| 10 | <p>PUBLIC COMMENTS</p> | <p>There were no public comments</p> | |
| | <p>ADJOURNMENT</p> | <p>Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.</p> | <p>MOTION BY: Hubbard SUPPORT BY: Haynes</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| | <p>MINUTES PREPARED BY</p> | <p>Carly Hotchkiss, Deputy City Clerk</p> | |