# APPROVED

# MEETING MINUTES COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS JUNE 26, 2018 – 5:30PM CITY HALL – FOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Hubbard at 5:34pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christoph, Ergas, Haynes, Hubbard and Pitchford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kendzierski and Seelye

OTHERS PRESENT: Carly Lindahl, Deputy City Clerk/Staff Liaison

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

MOTION by Pitchford, support by Ergas, to approve the agenda as published.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Haynes, support by Pitchford, to approve the minutes of May 22, 2018 as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## Founders Festival Planning – Saturday, July 21st

Deputy Clerk Lindahl mentioned that the parade application had been submitted, the flyers are in and the bandanas have been ordered.

Members confirmed their attendance. Chair Hubbard noted he would be walking with the Fire Department.

#### **Distribution of Election materials**

Member Pitchford stated that he had distributed the flyers to some apartment buildings in his neighborhood.

Discussion was held on providing the committee with some form of identification that can be presented as they are out distributing material in the community.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Absentee Ballot mailing/Key Election Dates**

Deputy Clerk Lindahl noted that absentee ballots would be mailed by July  $7^{th}$  and the last day to register to vote is July  $9^{th}$ .

#### Sharing social media posts and information

Deputy Clerk Lindahl stated that the video clips would be posted to the City's Facebook page in the next couple of days along with the notice for the last day to register and urged the committee to share those posts.

#### **Review of Calendar Items**

Chair Hubbard reviewed the calendar items.

Deputy Clerk Lindahl mentioned that the Open House will be held on September 30<sup>th</sup> and asked members if they would like to volunteer.

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Discussion was held regarding the Open House and scheduling of volunteers.

# **MY VOTE COUNTS:**

# **Review of June Tapings for August Election**

Deputy Clerk Lindahl stated that in addition to the taping done with Chair Hubbard regarding the Parks and Recreation millage, video clips were recorded showing the new election equipment, discussing absentee voting and the location of the drop boxes.

## September taping for November Election items

Chair Hubbard stated that the committee should think about ideas for the November taping and it can be discussed closer to the election date.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

# **MEMBER/LIAISON COMMENTS:**

Member Christoph mentioned that she read a great nonpartisan article that was published in the Detroit Free Press regarding voter registration.

Chair Hubbard suggested that the committee should look for the article and if found, forward to the group.

Discussion was held on the committee member vacancies.

Discussion was held on the candidate debate and where it gets aired.

Deputy Clerk Lindahl asked the committee if they were interested in working the November election and noted that the election inspector application is available online or at the City Clerk's Office. She discuss the hours, pay and type of positions available.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Hubbard adjourned the meeting at 6:01pm.

Minutes drafted by: Deputy City Clerk Lindahl