**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE**

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION**

**August 16, 2017– 7:00 PM**

**VILLAGE HALL – ROOM 101**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners: Benkert; Kill; King-Bell; Mann; Robertson; Wesolowski; Zapler; Moore

**ABSENT:** Grimes

**STAFF:** Melton

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00PM

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Commissioner Bell-King motioned for approval with Commissioner Zapler providing a second.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES :** Commissioner Kill motions for approval with Commissioner Bell-King providing a second.

**REPORT FROM TEMPORARY WORKING GROUP ON GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACE AND EQUALITY:** Board and Village Manager aware of the Commissions interest in supporting this initiative. Commissioner Benkert has been soliciting trustees on the issue. Commissioners agreed to reach out as appropriate to trustee liaison Boutet to enlist her support of the issue.

**DINNER AND DIALOGUE EFFORT:**  Commissioner Grimes not in attendance so major discussion on dinner collaboration with DAC tabled until her return. Meeting took place with DAC reps to formulate a dinner. Grimes will provide more detail.

**MEETING WITH THE CHIEF REPORT:** Short discussion of next effort with police which is set to be an informal meal between the resident beat officers and a group of residents who will be asked to sign up for the dinner opportunity. Commissioners Bell-King, Moore and Director Melton will work with the Police Chief on the structure and timing of the event.

**AUSTIN/OAK PARK BLOCK PARTY:**  Melton described the charity race and date of September 23rd for the Austin 5K run that Austin is seeking participation from Oak Park in. More details to follow.

**ADJOURN:** Commissioner Benkert motions to adjourn with Commissioner Kill seconding.