

Meeting of Fair Housing Task Force

Wednesday, June 11, 2014 7:00 P.M.

Village of Oak Park 123 Madison Street, Room 101 Oak Park, Illinois

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of May 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Work Plan Review
- 6. Information Interviews
 - A. Sherlynn Reid
 - B. Camille Wilson-White
- 7. Scheduling of Next Interviews
- 8. Next steps
- 9. Adjourn

Minutes of the Fair Housing Task Force Wednesday, May 28, 2014 Village Hall - Room 101

- Present: Members Pat Cesario, Joe Cregler, Meg Herman, Scott Jensen, Gloria Merrill, Dawn Mueller, John Murtagh, Andrea Ott, Fr. George Omwando, Bill Planek, Bob Tucker
- Absent: Chair Glenn Brewer; Patrice Myers

Also Present: Development Customer Services Director Tammie Grossman, Director of Community Relations Cedric Melton, Village Attorney Paul Stephanides, Oak Park Regional Housing Center Executive Director Rob Breymaier, Oak Park Residence Corporation Executive Director Maria Saldana

1. Call to Order

Acting Chair/Member Ott called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2014. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Work Plan Review and Update

The work plan was reviewed and discussed. The Task Force requested that the Village's Crime-Free Housing Ordinance be discussed at the next meeting. It was moved by Member Jensen and seconded by Member Tucker to approve the Work Plan as amended pursuant to the results of the last Task Force. A voice vote was taken and the Work Plan was approved.

5. Overview of Laws regarding Fair Housing

Two handouts prepared by Illinois Legal Aid providing an overview of federal and state fair housing laws were distributed to the Task Force. Development Customer Services Director Grossman provided an overview of fair housing laws to the Task Force. Village Attorney Stephanides provided information on the various forums that hear fair housing complaints and the processing of complaints. Director Grossman also provided an overview of the Village Code provisions concerning fair housing.

6. Interview Candidates

The list of potential interviewees was reviewed and discussed. Member Planek will present names of Village landlords to be interviewed at the next Task Force meeting. Anne Houghtaling of HOPE Fair Housing will be interviewed. Key Village staff will be interviewed as determined in consultation with the Village Manager.

It was moved by Member Tucker and seconded by Member Merrill to interview Ray Heise with regard to past history. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved with ten (10) in favor and one (1) against.

It was moved by Member Herman and seconded by Member Cesario to interview Roberta Raymond with regard to past history. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Member Merrill and seconded by Member Herman to interview Sandra Sokol with regard to community relations/communications strategy. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Member Merrill and seconded by Member Planek to interview Sherlynn Reid with regard to community relations/communications strategy. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Member Planek and seconded by Member Tucker to interview Rob Breymaier with regard to Village housing entities. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Member Planek and seconded by Member Tucker to interview Rob Breymaier, Maria Saldana and Ed Solan with regard to Village housing entities. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Member Cesario and seconded by Member Planek to interview Camille Wilson-White with regard to past discrimination. A voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

7. Next Meeting Date

June 11, 2014.

8. Adjourn

It was moved by Member Planek and seconded by Member Tucker to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.