

Lakewood Community Relations Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 12, 2023
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

Present: Jon Gromek, Melissa Garrett, Stacy Loejos, Mary Kennedy, Camille Bragg, Dawn Ellis, Marla Samko

Absent: Lise Stevens, Aidan Lawrence, Jason Frederick, Tracy Greenberg

Called to order: 6:36pm

Old Business

- 1) Minutes approval from last meeting.
 - a) Motion to approve the minutes as amended: Mary Kennedy. Second: Marla Samko. All in favor.

- 2) Community Updates
 - a) Spooky Pooch Parade this Saturday, 12:30-3:30 at Madison Park
 - b) Coffee with a Cop Oct 31, 2-4pm at Despina's Bakery
 - c) Trick or Treat Oct 31, 6-8pm
 - d) Veteran's Day Ceremony Nov 11th, 11am at Lakewood Park

- 3) Task Force Updates
 - a) ADA Task Force voted to submit the transition plan. This will appear on the next docket. Task force is now complete.
 - b) Anti-Racism Task Force: No updates as meeting was cancelled.

Review of Mission

- 1) Mission can be found on LCRAC Homepage, [linked here](#).

Mayors Special Project/Initiative Update

- 1) No updates at this time. Meeting with Mayor George will be held October 19th at 9:30 am. This is open to all LCRAC members. Those interested should email Camille.

2023 Welcome to Lakewood

- 1) November 1, 6:30pm at Garfield School
- 2) Promotion will continue via water bill and community Facebook groups. Paper flyers will be printed for LCRAC members to distribute. Mary wrote an article for the Lakewood Observer.
- 3) LCRAC members are encouraged to update the food donation list on Google Drive.
- 4) Set Up, Logistics reviewed from Google Drive
- 5) Next Steps: Melissa will look into a thank you post after the event.

Monthly City Council Meeting Review (Sept 18th)

- 1) Downtown development update: Project is to be done in phases. Lending will be challenging for commercial real estate.
- 2) Resolution passed for Mayor to enter into two year agreement commencing January 1st, 2024 with the District Advisory Council of Cuyahoga County Ohio General Health District for the provision of public health services within the city.

Announcements

- 1) October 16th at 6pm there is a Housing, Planning, and Development Committee Meeting. Tom Bullock will present findings of affordability evaluative assessment.

Motion to adjourn: Jon Gromek

Second: Mary Kennedy

All in favor.

Adjourned 7:58pm

Next 2023 Meeting Date: Thursday, December 14