

# Community Development Committee

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Minutes of the Meeting on  
July 13, 2023

**Village of Homer Glen  
14240 W. 151<sup>st</sup> Street  
Village Community Room**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Steilen.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call; Establish Quorum**

Members present at 7:00 p.m. were Chair Sue Steilen, Vice Chair Dan Kenney, Sandra Harney, and Tami O'Brien.

Members absent: Sheree Kozel – La Ha

Also Present: Staff Liaison Jacquelyn Huff

**4. Approval of Amendments to the Agenda**

a. No amendments were discussed

**5. Approval of Minutes**

a. None

**6. Public Comment**

a. None

**7. Old Business and Possible Action**

a. None

**8. New Business**

a. Introductions

Chair Sue Steilen introduced herself. Chair Steilen wanted to start a new committee because she wanted to focus on the people and the community. After going through the election process, Sue learned that many residents do not know what is happening in the Village. She wants to help keep residents informed of Village news and events. Sue introduced staff liaison, Jacquelyn Huff. Jacquelyn said she has worked for the Village as the Community Events Coordinator since November and is a Homer Glen resident. Vice Chair Dan Kenney introduced himself. He was on the Community and Economic Development Committee since its inception in 2016 and the Parks Committee since 2019. Dan is also a Homer Glen resident, and very involved with the Village and volunteering. He is hosting the Movie under the Stars event on Friday. Member Sandra Harney runs the Arts Guild of Homer Glen and the Barn Quilt Project. She has been in Homer Glen since 1987. Sandra started the Arts Guild for her son, he is an artist, photographer, and maker. Member Tami O'Brien moved to Homer Glen in 1992 when nothing was out here. She was on PTO for 10 years and involved with the Village Zoning Commission and Homer Glen Foundation. Sue asked if any members knew anyone else who would be a good fit for this committee to let her know. It was discussed how

the demographic of Homer Glen is changing, and more young families are moving into town. There are two elementary school districts that service the community. Member Harney brought up Jason Thompson from Edge Music Academy and said he would be a good person to be on this committee. It was asked if he lived in Homer Glen, or if just his business was. Chair Steilen will reach out to him. Chair Steilen would like Homer Glen to be known as a family-oriented community.

**b. Review of Committee Purpose and Scope**

Chair Steilen went over the purpose and scope of the committee. She read the supplement sheet and her goal and purpose for this new committee. This would be the time to make any changes to what the committee's goals and purpose are. Chair Steilen wants to bring back the Village and residents working together.

**c. Discussion for First Steps**

**i. Newsletter**

The fall/winter newsletter is slated to come out in mid-September. The events department is starting to work on it now. Any input or changes would need to be done now. Having an online newsletter and having them come out more often was discussed. An online newsletter can be updated more frequently and easier to do.

**ii. Website**

The website is getting a facelift. The design aspect has changed, but the content is the same. Alana is working on updating the website and archiving old information that is not relevant.

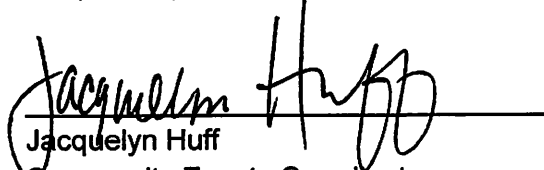
**9. Announcements/Committee Members Communication**

None

**10. Adjournment**

Member Vice Chair Kenney motioned to adjourn, seconded by Member O'Brien. All in favor, zero (0) opposed, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Jacquelyn Huff  
Community Events Coordinator  
Village of Homer Glen