



Community Service Awards Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2022

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Present: Neil Rhein, Chair, John Nieratko, Kara Griffin, Clerk; and Rose Kimmel virtually via GoToWebinar

Not Present: Lt. Thomas Connor

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● **Open the Meeting**

Mr. Rhein called the meeting to order at 6:07PM.

● **Consideration to Approve Meeting Minutes from December 7, 2020 and December 8, 2021**

Mr. Nieratko was not on the Committee in 2020 and abstained from voting.

Motion: To approve the December 7, 2020 meeting minutes. (Griffin/Kimmel)

Roll call Vote:

K. Griffin – Yes R. Kimmel - Yes N. Rhein – Yes

J. Nieratko – Abstain not on committee at that time.

Passes 3:0:1

Motion: To approve the December 8, 2021 meeting minutes. (Kimmel/Rhein)

Roll Call Vote:

R. Kimmel – Yes N. Rhein – Yes K. Griffin – Abstain not present at that meeting.

J. Nieratko – Abstain not present at that meeting.

Fails 2:0:2

● **Review Nominations Received from 2021 and Previous Years**

Mr. Rhein explained the three categories of awards Lifetime, Adult and Youth. He stated that there were very few nominations this past year however the one for youth he felt was a very strong nomination. Mr. Nieratko agreed noting that the project was impressive.

● **Vote for 2021 Award Winners**

Motion: To give the youth award to Eagle Scout who donated the summer camp games labeled 2021 youth. (Griffin/Nieratko)

Roll Call Vote:

K. Griffin – Yes J. Nieratko – Yes N. Rhein – Yes R. Kimmel – Yes

Passes 4:0

Ms. Kimmel was having technical difficulty when the discussion and vote was taken for the youth award however at the end of the meeting the Chair let her vote be added so that the youth award had unanimous support.

Mr. Rhein then stated at last meeting those that were present voted to allow prior year nominations for all years be considered due to the lack of nominations for adult and lifetime achievement this year. Mr. Rhein noted that the adult nominations began on page seven of the packet. Ms. Griffin stated that her first choice was A4 and her second choice is the email from Ms. Hourigan labeled A3. Ms. Kimmel thought that A4 had only been volunteering for a year and that her first choice was A5 based on the length of time that the person has volunteered. Mr. Nieratko said his first choice A4 followed by A3. Mr. Rhein stated that his first

choice was A3 and stated that based on the nomination he knows who this person is and she has been very active in the community. Ms. Kimmel stated that A3 was her second choice. Ms. Nieratko noted that the person community impact is important in considering a nominee. Ms. Griffin stated that it was a shame that there were not more nominations because there are so many people who have not been nominated. Mr. Rhein responded that next year there will be more publicity.

Motion: To give the adult award for 2021 to the nomination labeled A3. (Griffin/Kimmel)

Roll Call Vote:

K. Griffin – Yes J. Nieratko – Yes R. Kimmel – Yes N. Rhein – Yes

Passes 4:0

Mr. Rhein said that he wanted to make sure that the nominee labeled L2 was still alive as the nomination was from a few years ago when she was 93. Ms. Kimmel stated that she knows L2 and she was her first choice and she still is with us. Ms. Kimmel stated that she was on the COA Board and a volunteer at the COA she still visits the COA. Mr. Rhein added that the other nomination that stood out was labeled L4 for the work that he has done on several organizations. Ms. Griffin stated that L4 is well rounded and does a lot for the community and is a strong candidate. Ms. Kimmel stated that L4 was her top choice based on their involvement in the many organizations. Mr. Nieratko stated that L4 was his top choice.

Motion: To accept L4 for the Lifetime Achievement Award. (Kimmel/Griffin)

Roll Call Vote:

K. Griffin – Yes J. Nieratko – Yes R. Kimmel – Yes N. Rhein – Yes

Passes 4:0

• **Other items not known 48 hours in advance of the meeting**

Mr. Rhein stated that he will plan for publicity start in September and continue for two months. Ms. Griffin asked for it to be sent to Committee once it is posted. Mr. Rhein stated that he would like to have the awards presented at a Select Board meeting when the Board is meeting again in person.

Ms. Griffin left the meeting at 6:37PM.

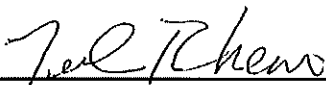
• **Adjourn**

Motion: To adjourn the January 12, 2022 meeting at 6:38PM. (Kimmel/Nieratko)

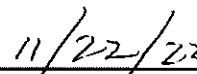
Roll Call Vote:

J. Nieratko – Yes R. Kimmel – Yes N. Rhein – Yes

Passes 3:0



Signature



Date

Minutes Prepared by Carrie Champagne