

**COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: RETREAT
AGENDA**

Virtual Meeting

Friday, January 7, 2022

Please note: In accordance with Village Ordinance 2020-36, this meeting will be held as a remote meeting. The public is not permitted to access Council Chambers during the meeting.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY.

THIS MEETING WILL NOT BE LIVE_STREAMED. Anyone can observe the meeting. If you would like to make a statement or otherwise participate, please contact Judy Kintner (Clerk@yso.com or 937-767-9126) to arrange via the Zoom meeting platform. Please be advised that if you wish to participate, you MUST identify yourself and your contact information as it will be part of the public record created from the meeting. No unidentified statements or commentary or from platforms other than Zoom will be read into the minutes of the meeting or responded to in real time. Council may establish reasonable uniform limitations on public participation, including time restrictions for comments.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discussion re: Council Boards and Commissions

Finalization of Council Liaison Assignments

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Yellow Springs will be held at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, January 18, 2022** and will be a virtual meeting.

January 5, 2022

TO: Yellow Springs Village Council
FROM: Marianne MacQueen
RE: January 7th Council Retreat

I am most likely not be able to attend the retreat. Here is a list of the commissions that I would like to be involved in and some thoughts I have about how to best ensure effectiveness of our commissions.

Commissions

Environmental Commission – I would like to continue as lead liaison and I look forward to Carmen as the alternate. I will be happy to update her before our EC retreat on Thursday, January 20th (3 – 6 PM).

Active Transportation Commission – I would like to take on starting (or restarting) this commission and serve as the lead liaison. I am unclear whether there is already legislation for it. (Please advise.) I would like Council and Staff to discuss whether this commission should also include working on Transportation issues such as parking, ride shares, etc. (the types of suggestions that will come out of the Climate Action & Sustainability work). This commission will need regular staff involvement.

Climate Action & Sustainability Planning – I would like to continue serving as a point person/liaison for this work in whatever form it takes in 2022 and welcome another Council member's involvement.

Village Mediation Program – I would like to continue being the lead liaison to the VMP. If Carmen is interested in being the alternate that would be great. VMP tends to meet quarterly.

Library Commission – I am happy to continue as the alternate to the Library Commission or lead, whatever works.

Village Manager's Housing Advisory Board – It's not clear to me whether this is an effective way of promoting our housing efforts but am certainly interested in doing so.

Thoughts on Commission Effectiveness

There are several things I think are needed for Commissions to be effective:

- It is important for the Council liaison to have a strong role. Commissions serve at the pleasure of Council. This is important for commissioners to remember and is rather different from what I was first told when I got on Council. I have learned that without a Council liaison taking a strong role, commissions can flounder either by being taken over

by one person, or by not being able to agree upon a direction. It is also good to have a strong commission chair, but not always necessary. For example, EC was well served for a number of years with a rotating chair.

- While I don't know that staff need to be on all commissions, I suspect that most commissions need to engage staff at some point. This is certainly true for the Environmental Commission. Therefore, I believe that we need to have an easily accessible procedure for accessing staff input. Staff should always be consulted on anything that is done on Village Government property and should be involved at the beginning of these projects.
- There are times when commissions need to collaborate with other commissions. For example, there may be times when EC will want to reach out to the Arts & Culture Commission for input on how to enhance educational efforts. EC members have served as consultants to Planning Commission. In these cases, there need to be mechanisms to make these connections and to memorialize the work and the agreements that were made. Perhaps this is an area in which Judy could be involved?

Value #1 - Deepen decision-making processes with active citizen participation and effective representative governance.

Value #2 - Be a model employer actively practicing diversity hiring and a provider of services within a responsible and sustainable fiscal framework.

Value #3 - Be a welcoming community of opportunity for all persons regardless of race, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, economic status, mental/physical ability or religious affiliation.

Value #4 - Pursue a strong economy that provides diverse employment, creates a stable tax base and supports the values of the community, particularly affordability.

Value #5 - Seek, in all decisions and actions, to reduce the community's carbon footprint, encourage sound ecological practices and provide careful, creative & cooperative stewardship of land resources.

Value #6 - Intentionally promote anti-racism, inclusion, equity and accessibility through all policies, procedures and processes.

2022 Yellow Springs Village Strategic Goals

Values	Goal	2022 Actions	Future/Ongoing Activities	Responsible	Funding + Other Resources
1, 2, 3, 4, 6	Provide Affordable Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish ESID & Promote PACE with 1-Pager Identify & Implement Strategic Zoning Improvements Engage Stakeholders/Plan to Expand Housing Options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategically Employ Affordable Housing Fund Create Meaningful Actions with "Inclusive YS" Continue Utility Round-Up/Eval. Utility Costs 		USDA Grants
1, 3, 4, 5, 6	Support Residential Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Developers to Achieve Village Goals Complete Glass Farm Wetland Delineation Study Form Task Force to Review Best Zoning Practices Develop Infill Inventory & Incentive Infill/Rehab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinate with YSDC & Other Key Groups Explore Potential Sites for Affordable Rentals Replicate Home, Inc. Pocket Neighborhood Discuss Opps for Artist Live-Work Spaces 		Home, Inc. Grant
2, 3, 4, 5	Repair & Maintain Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce Water Loss with Strategic Upgrades Incentivize Storm Water Solutions Improve Resiliency/Capacity of Electric Grid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasize Readiness for Housing/Business Improve Sanitary System Find & Detach Sump Pumps/Consider Grants 		PWC Grants
1, 2, 3, 4	Achieve Structurally Balanced Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Form Finance Committee to Help Track Budget Create Budget Process to Further Engage Public Closely Evaluate Budget for Potential Cost Savings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find Revenue & Uncollected Income Tax Opps Pursue Grants/Low-Interest Loans Pilot Participatory Budgeting 		Council Committee
1, 2, 3, 4	Promote Sustainable Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize Development Plan for Dayton/RR St. Establish Municipal Broadband Utility Implement Best Local Parking Practices/Wayfinding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement Comp Land Use Plan Affirmatively Market Village Continue Impactful Business Support 		Council
1, 2, 3, 6	Ensure Social Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue Meaningful Anti-Racism Actions Pilot Community/Citizen Review Board Initiative Develop Body Cam Policy & Implement Body Cams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve Data Gathering & Performance Evals Broadly Incorporate CORCLE Continue to Address Economic Discrimination 		YS Team
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Facilitate Active Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Funded SRTS and ATP Projects Support GC Master Trails Plan Initiative Begin Construction of YS-Clifton Connector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue Sidewalk Improvements Create Better Connections to LMST Execute Better Bike Parking Infrastructure 		RAISE Grant TAP:
1, 3, 4, 5, 6	Deepen Environmental Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Protection of the Jacoby Greenbelt Develop Climate Action & Sustainability Plan Pursue New Village Solar Initiatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursue Village Energy Efficiency Improvement Continue to Facilitate Residential Solar Update Village Tree Plan & Plant More Trees 		Clean Ohio Federal Grants
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Maintain Village Vitality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue COVID Safety & Relief Activities Actively Cultivate Future Village Leaders Create a Master Parks (with Maintenance) Plan Collaborate with Glen Helen re: Accessibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve Staff-Council Communication Process Support Arts & Culture Activities Enhance Greenspace/Connect Neighbourhoods Expand YS Chamber Partnership 		ARPA

**COUNCIL COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES,
BOARDS and TASK FORCES**

Updated: February, 2020

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRATION</u>	<u>MEETING DATE/TIME/PLACE</u>
<u>Planning Commission</u>	Five Years	2nd Tuesdays at 7:00P.M. Council Chambers
Frank Doden	10/17/22	
Stephen Green	05/19/25	
Sarah Amend	01/17/26	
Susan Stiles	04/20/26	
Matt Kirk (Alternate)	01/17/23	
Gary Zaremsky (Alternate)	04/20/23	
Lisa Kreeger, Council Liaison		
Carmen Brown, Council Alternate		
<u>Board of Zoning Appeals</u>	Five Years	Scheduled as Needed by VYS Planner
Anthony Salmonson	04/16/24	
Scott Osterholm	05/01/24	
Ellis Jacobs	03/07/24	
Matt Reed	04/17/23	
Matt Raska	06/08/26	
<u>Board of Tax Appeals</u>	Three Years	Scheduled as Needed by Admin.
<u>Environmental Commission</u>	Three Years	Third Thursdays at 5:45 Council Chambers
Catherine Zimmerman	10/07/23	
Reilly Dixon	03/16/24	
Alex Klug	03/16/24	
Nancy Lineburgh	06/08/24	
Rebecca Potter	07/20/24	
Marianne MacQueen, Council Liaison		
Carmen Brown, Council Alternate		
<u>Human Relations Commission</u>	Three Years	First Thursday at 7:00P.M. Council Chambers: On Hiatus
Nick Cunningham	01/17/21	
Cindy Shaw	03/06/21	
Lindsay Burke	09/03/22	
Robert Partida	01/07/23	
Carmen Lee	08/18/23	
Kevin Stokes, Council Liaison , Council Alternate		

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRATION</u>	<u>MEETING DATE/TIME/PLACE</u>
<u>Library Commission</u>	Three Years	First Tuesdays in Feb; May; Aug.; Nov. @7pm at Library
Tracy Phillips, Y.S. Library	N/A	
Karl Colon, Dir. GCPL	N/A	
YSLA - Becky Eschliman	11/21/20	
Richard Zopf	11/21/20	
Dorothy Smith	11/21/20	
Kevin Stokes, Council Liaison		
Marianne MacQueen, Council Alternate		
<u>Arts and Culture Commission</u>	Three Years	First Tuesday at 6:30 Council Chambers
John Fleming	04/20/24	
Cathy Roma	04/20/24	
Cheryl Durgans	12/04/21	
Amy Wamsley	11/19/22	
Laurie Freeman	10/20/23	
Nya Brevik	10/20/23	
Werdell Kirk	12/21/24	
Michael Casselli	Town/Gown Liaison	
Lisa Kreeger, Council Liaison		
Brian Housh, Council Alternate		
<u>Manager's Housing Advisory Board</u>	Ongoing as Needed	Fourth Tuesdays at 9a
Josue Salmeron		
Sheila Dunphy		
Judith Hempfling		
Denise Swinger		
Marianne MacQueen, Council Liaison		
Kevin Stokes, Council Alternate		
<u>Finance Advisory Committee</u>	Ongoing as Needed	
Josue Salmeron		
Matt Dillon		
Judy Kintner		
Brian Housh, Council		
Lisa Kreeger, Council		
<u>Yellow Springs Development Corporation</u>	Ongoing as Needed	
Lisa Kreeger, Council Liaison		
Kevin Stokes, Council Alternate		
<u>Active Transportation Enhancement Committee</u>	Ongoing as Needed	TBA

, Council Liaison
Brian Housh, Council Alternate

Justice System Commission

Ongoing as Needed TBA

, Council Liaison
Lisa Kreeger, Council Alternate

Residential Solar Task Force

Ongoing as Needed

Municipal Broadband/Fiber Task Force

Ongoing as Needed

Utility Dispute Resolution Board

Five/Three Years

As Needed Per Fin. Director

Jane Scott 12/7/26
Gary Zaremsky 03/16/26

Energy Board

Three Years

ON HIATUS

Economic Sustainability Commission

Three Years

ON HIATUS

Henry Myers 01/08/22
Saul Greenberg 12/04/22
Emily Seibel 04/16/22
Patrick Lake (Chair) 05/21/22
Scott Fife (Alternate) 05/21/21
Sammy Saber (Alternate) 07/02/21
Steve McQueen Ex Officio (School Board)
Mark Crockett Ex Officio (Miami Township)
Lisa Kreeger, Council Liaison
Kevin Stokes, Council Alternate

Community Access Panel

Three Years

ON HIATUS

Kevin Stokes, Council Liaison
Brian Housh, Council Alternate

Village Mediation Council Liaison: Marianne MacQueen; Lisa Kreeger; Alternate

Greene County Regional Planning: Council Liaison: Brian Housh; Kevin Stokes, Alternate

Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission: Liaison: Brian Housh, Alternate: Josue Salmeron

**Board and Commission Statements of Purpose/Council Values
1-3-2022**

Value 1: Deepen decision-making processes with active citizen participation and effective representative governance.

Value 2: Be a model employer actively working to achieve diversity in hiring and employee retention and a provider of services within a responsible and sustainable fiscal framework.

Value 3: Create a welcoming community of opportunity for all persons regardless of race, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, economic status, mental/physical ability or religious affiliation.

Value 4: Pursue a strong economy that provides diverse employment, creates a stable tax base and supports the values of the community, particularly affordability.

Value 5: Seek, in all decisions and actions, to reduce the community's carbon footprint, encourage sound ecological practices and provide careful, creative and cooperative stewardship of land resources.

Value 6: Intentionally promote anti-racism, inclusion, equity and accessibility through all policies, procedures and processes.

Environmental Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Environmental Commission, for the purpose of conservation and improvement of the environment. (Ord. 2015-26. Passed 11-16-15.)

Community Access Panel

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Community Access Panel, for the purpose of defining the level of interest in public access cable television and initiatives associated with modern electronic communications, digital media and various technological implementations among residents, educational institutions and all other stakeholders within the Village and to provide policy guidance to Council. (Ord. 2015-21. Passed 11-16-15.)

Library Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Library Commission, for the purpose of advising on matters related to Village responsibilities for the function and facilities of the Yellow Springs Public Library. (Ord. 2015-24. Passed 11-16-15.)

Human Relations Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Human Relations Commission, for the purpose of promoting harmony among the citizens of the Village and working to eliminate prejudice and discrimination within the Village against any individual or group

because of race, religion, nationality, heritage, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation or economic class.

(Ord. 2015-25. Passed 11-16-15.)

Arts and Culture Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Arts & Culture Commission. The Arts & Culture Commission supports the mission of the Council for the Village of Yellow Springs by facilitating, promoting and recognizing that public arts add value by providing educational opportunities, activism, economic sustainability and an improved quality of life. The Commission shall serve to navigate and connect the Village creative community and the arts community with the Village government.

(Ord. 2018-38. Passed 10-15-18.)

Energy Board

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Energy Board, for the purpose of working in concert with Village staff to further Council's goal to develop a comprehensive policy that addresses global warming and seeks to reduce the carbon footprint of the Yellow Springs community.

(Ord. 2015-23. Passed 11-16-15.)

Economic Sustainability Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a Commission, which shall be known as the Economic Sustainability Commission, for the purpose of supporting economic development activities in the Village.

(Ord. 2015-22. Passed 11-16-15.)

Justice System Commission

There is hereby established in and for the Village a commission, which shall be known as the Justice System Commission. This Commission will assist Village Council and the Mayor in overseeing the Yellow Springs justice system and its efforts to preserve the safety of all persons in the Village, to provide respectful service in the interest of victims, to uphold civil liberties, to be proactively anti-racist and to fight the criminalization of poverty and mental illness. The Commission shall provide capacity regarding research on best practices, data analysis regarding current and future practices and their impacts, and other activities as directed by Village Council to support its justice system goals.

(Ord. 2018-49. Passed 12-3-18.)