

# 04/04/24 - Lawrence Community Development - March

6:00 pm — Lawrence Village Hall

**Attendance:** Phil Glennie, Mary & Andrew Muday, Klass Maring, Arnie Redsekker  
**Review minutes 01/4/24** (no Feb 2024 meeting) : motion Mary / 2<sup>nd</sup> Klass - approved

**Community Development Budget:** active

**Halloween:** Trunk or Treat - Saturday - 10/26/24 (times yet to be set)  
Trick or Treat - Thurs - 10/31/24 (times yet to be set)

**Christmas in The Village - Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 2024** (Paw Paw is 12/7, Hartford is 12/14)  
8-11 am Breakfast at Legion (not group yet established to run it)  
2-4 pm Santa at Library  
7:00 Parade - recommended change from 6 to 7 by Chief Anchor, also is recommending changing parade route depending on traffic and possibility of semi parade  
7:30 Light up Christmas tree in Park with Santa  
7:30 to 8:00 Hot Choc and cookies at Legion

- Discussion on re-painting Christmas Cards thru volunteers. Maybe a "Paint Day"
- Craft Show canceled and Ice Carvings on hold

- - Can the Christmas tree in Village Park be replaced?  
It has become too large and more of a bush

**House Decoration Contests (Halloween, Xmas)** - Christmas & Halloween.  
- check with DDA if gift cards OK

**Music in Park** — Phil will book talent in March and April. About 1/3 completed

**Miss Lawrence** –will need to purchase key to village soon for award ceremony coming up soon

**History Night** – Friends of Library hosted May 2023. Fern will contact Sandy Merchant for 2024 event date

**New Business:** Market Van Buren – Arnie attended housing meeting  
Earth Day 4/22/24

## OLD (tabled) BUSINESS:

- **Open Mic at Freedom** – Mike Nein is running it now, 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of month
- **"Taste of Lawrence": No discussion**
- **Community Dances** – Senior Dance at Township Hall 2/10/24 2 to 5 pm
- **Local restaurant gift certificates** - no discussion
- **Artist Market** – Jeff Heaton in early August possibly, Jeff looking at various weekends for best fit
- **Safety Lecture Series** - No discussion
- **Recognition Day** – No discussion
- **Welcome Wagon** – Welcome mat ceremonies completed (2/17-Fruit Street, 3/1 Soule Farm Sweets). Will check with DDA for same for new hair salon and combined event for existing business (Freedom, Acapulco, SW Mich Feed, Lawsons, Marathon)
- **Movie of the Month** - no discussion

Adjourned 6:45 pm

Motion Klass / 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary

Respectively submitted - **PJG**