

**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST  
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
July 18, 2017**

A meeting of the Village of River Forest Economic Development Commission was held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: Commissioners Ryan, Cragan, Fishman, Gottlieb, Kilbride and Kirk

Absent: Commissioner Crosby

Also Present: Village Administrator Eric Palm, Assistant Village Administrator Lisa Scheiner, Management Analyst Jonathan Pape, Houseal-Lavigne Associates John Houseal and Paul Finn

**2. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

**3. DISCUSSION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

John Houseal introduced his firm to the Plan Commission and discussed the upcoming efforts by the Village to create a new Comprehensive Plan. He explained the purpose of the Comprehensive Plan and how it will be used to guide development in the community. He reviewed the way community input will be gathered and how that input will be utilized in the document. Mr. Houseal stated the Comprehensive Plan will tackle three general areas:

1. Establish where the community is right now.
2. Determine where does the community wants to go in the future.
3. Create a roadmap for how to get there.

Mr. Houseal reviewed the scope of work with the Commission. He also asked the Commission to submit suggestions for residents to sit in on future focus groups. He then led the Plan Commissioners in an exercise to identify the biggest issues facing the community, how they would tackle those issues, and what community strengths and assets should be preserved.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Gottlieb and SECONDED by Commissioner Kilbride to adjourn the Plan Commission meeting at 8:36m.

MOTION PASSED by voice vote.