

**Minutes of IMODS Meeting
August 20, 2009**

In attendance: Sonia Baysinger, Alyse Burman, Jeff Burman, Janice Cook, Al Curtis, Scott Holtz, Mike Kiss, Heather Lartz, Tracy Lee, Ross Mathee, Randy Miles, Peter Nicholas, Bill Novello, Bill Schmidt, and Kathy Skobel,

President Miles called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

President's Report: There being no new members to introduce, Mr. Miles thanked Mr. Mathee for the use of NSCBT's conference room for our meeting. Mr. Miles advised members that there is an open Village board meeting scheduled for August 24 to for the purpose of discussing downtown development plans with the Village's marketing advisor, 4Insights, and encouraged all members to submit thoughts and recommendations. The Foytech Fund has purchased its memorial sculpture. A memorial ceremony will be conducted in conjunction with the Back Lot Bash. The sculpture will be installed at Veteran's Park as part of IMODS' annual 9/11 event. Member turnout at these events is critical.

It was noted that IMODS' sponsorship of the silent movie show at the Skokie Music Theater still needed additional funding. Although the car show scheduled for 8/19 was cancelled due to weather, it was reported that the shows have been very successful with a large turnout expected for the upcoming Back Lot Bash car show. Jeff & Alyse Burman outlined plans for IMODS' marketing initiatives.

Arts and Entertainment Report: Ms. Baysinger advised members that the winner of the biennial Lewis C. Weinberg competition will be unveiled on 9/22. All members were asked to attend.

Skokie Public Library Report: No report was presented.

Skokie Theater Report: Al Curtis noted that the Theater is holding an event on 10/10 as a fund raiser for its veterans' ticket fund.

Web Site Report: Scott Holtz provided website and car show participation figures. He mentioned that additional IMODS' volunteers were needed for the Back Lot Bash..

Temporary Zoning Commission Report: Peter Nicholas reported that the commission was now focusing on Dempster Street and was awaiting further input from Village staff before moving forward.

Marketing Report: Kathy Skobel asked that edits for a proposed new marketing brochure be submitted within 2 weeks so that work on this project can be completed.

Treasurer's Report: The financial statements were presented and approved.

Village of Skokie Report: No report was submitted.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from our meeting on 4/28/2009 were presented and approved.

Mr. Miles suggested that the next IMODS meeting be scheduled for October and promised to circulate an email confirming the date, time, and location. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William Novello
As Acting Secretary