
MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMISSION

March 13, 2019

7:30 p.m.

Kallsen Center Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Community Resources Commission was called to order by **Al Siegers** at 7:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Members: Don Budny
 Ron Centanni
 Mike Cutrano
 Janet Czuchra
 Deb Melchert
 Al Siegers
 Mike Sevier
 Barbara Rose Whalen
 Donna Framke, Village Liaison
 Denise Maly-Politano, Commission Secretary

Absent: Chairperson: Reta Brudd
 Joe DeNova
 Garrett Gray, Associate Member
 Brian H. Younker, Village Trustee

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by **Don Budny**, seconded by **Janet Czuchra**, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion made by **Deb Melchert**, seconded by **Don Budny** to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as submitted approved by voice vote, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Denise Maly-Politano reported some scholarship letters came in the mail and she gave them to **Don Budny**.

OLD AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Studio

Don Budny reported the Studio is moving right along and going well. Enough people to run.

Ron Centanni stated that taping is proceeding on schedule. The April show will feature the new police chief. Asked if anyone has any suggestions for shows, any organizations or events.

Al Siegers suggested finding people at the Discover Tinley Expo. Might be some opportunities there with some of the new vendors.

Mike Sevier has a suggestion for May and will get **Ron Centanni** the contact information.

Donna Framke suggested a show with Pat Carr, the VFW, a show featuring the car show and volunteers, a feature on the Farmer's Market. Also, the Chamber is starting an on-site show every other month that might be worth looking into.

Al Siegers thanked everyone for that function of our commission and all of their hard work involved and working with the technical equipment.

Youth in Government

Al Siegers expressed his appreciation for **Garrett Gray** who took over the program in **Reta Brudd**'s absence and stated that **Reta Brudd** would be proud of all of us. Thank you to **Don Budny** and **Ron Centanni** with the help and input they gave to **Garrett Gray**. This program started many, many years ago and fortunately it has been able to continue. Garrett, thank you very much.

Don Budny was a tremendous help along with **Donna Framke** and her marketing staff in putting this evening together for the students. **Al Siegers** thanked the village staff for their efforts and the intern, Carolina, who helped out. It was a great team effort and thanked the high schools for participating with their students and the home school student.

Scholarships

Donna Framke asked what date the presentation will be for the winners.

Don Budny suggested May 7th as a possible presentation date if the board was available for the first Tuesday. We always need to work around honors nights at the schools. **Donna Framke** will see what date would be better for the village board. There are four scholarships.

Discover Tinley – April 6th

Al Siegers reported that the event is coming together. Had another stack of vendors submit applications which should put us up around 115 vendors. It is getting to be crunch time. Denise and I will work closely together to finalize the layout and will meeting with the convention center to finalize everything. Expect to have much of the same set up as in years past unless someone had a problem with something. Have some feelers out to some of the attractions to follow-up and confirm their participation. Feelers out to the Star Wars group but have not heard back from them yet.

Al Siegers stated that Denise and I have met with **Donna Framke** and Sue Paul and we will be meeting with the convention center to finalize the details. This is crunch time.

Donna Framke stated we will have a demo by Ted's Greenhouse, cooking demo, Vegan demo, trying to contact some of the local restaurants. Need to get list of food vendors to the health inspector. Did send out letters to the Downtown Tinley businesses, restaurants and breweries for a culinary corner and the response has been disappointing. Asked about Ronald McDonald appearing.

Denise Maly-Politano stated that she contact Ronald McDonald but has not heard back from them though last time he appeared it was last minute.

Al Siegers stated we need an email with a list of the demonstrations and time frames.

Donna Framke stated there is a two-sided flyer insert going into the Tinley Junction. One side will have the event information and the other side will have a rundown of all attractions. We will also have the TV station and the other outlets such as Facebook, Twitter, email blast, etc. to advertise. We can even have something on Tinley TV to encourage attendance if we can have a volunteer to talk about the event.

Al Siegers stated that it does not look like we have any automobiles attending this year. Might be a good area for the demonstrations. Have the inflatable and the inflatable dart board to take up some space along with the train club. These are things that will be adjusted accordingly as we finalize everything. Want good traffic flow. All these things will be ironed out with the meeting with the convention center.

Donna Framke asked about bringing in village vehicles. **Al Siegers** stated that we can if there is a newly branded smaller vehicle they want to show.

Donna Framke stated a need for a booth for Kindness Rocks, Hi-Tech Science, Svengoolie needs a parking spot, two chairs and a table, security detail, no space behind him and a signing table.

Al Siegers also stated that we will have police officers on site for security. He has also asked Public Works to stay later to help us pack up after the event.

Deb Melchert suggested watching Svengoolie the week before as he might mention his upcoming appearance at Discover Tinley.

Donna Framke suggested meeting before the meeting with the convention center to go over everything. Anticipates likely the same village space will be needed but will finalize that next week.

Ron Centanni will find out the week before about student volunteers. Any assistance is appreciated.

Don Budny suggested contacting Trustee Brady as he is the head of one of the scout troops that might get us some volunteers.

Al Siegers asked for **Deb Melchert** to assist **Denise Maly-Politano** with vendor check-in and inquired about checks for our entertainment. Denise stated that all check requests have been submitted except for two.

Al Siegers stated that we have our special event license, we are official. We are a great team, we are going to put it together and we will make Reta proud. Vendors arrive at 7:30 so we need to be there at 6:30 as there is always one early vendor looking to move in.

New Business

Donna Framke received an email asking if the CRC will be producing the Community Resource Guide and if that still exists or will be created again.

Al Siegers suggested looking into it after Discover Tinley. Maybe we can have something on the website. Thinks the advancement of the village's website has taken the place of the guide the CRC used to create.

Don Budny thinks there is a link that lists all the senators, commissions, representatives, etc.

Good of the Order

Ron Centanni stated it was a chilly parade but well attended. **Janet Czuchra** agreed.

Donna Framke reported on the Tinley Park Irish Parade March 10th. It was capped at 90 entries for parade participants. Attendance was lower than some of the highest years but still well attended. Guys on the cameras were great.

Al Siegers stated he heard comments that the exit should go all the way down to 171st.

Donna Framke stated that the police are pushing us to end at the Subway lot in order to avoid the cluster at the corner of 171st. The viewing area has also been more contained.

Comments from the Public

No public, no comments.

Adjournment

There being no other business, a motion was made by **Barbara Rose Whalen**, seconded by **Janet Czuchra**, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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