

Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission Minutes

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

7pm Kallsen Conference Center

Call to Order 7:11 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognize Commission members present: Chairman Lucas Hawley; Secretary/Commissioner Roxane Tyssen; Commissioners: Marilyn Bill, Jim Muller. Associate Commissioner: Reta Brudd. Village Liaison: Rob Zimmer.

Previous Meeting Minutes were read.

- April 18th minutes were read. Motion to approve with stated corrections; Jim 1st, Marilyn 2nd. Minutes approved.

Sister City Updates

Büdingen Sister City Update:

- 2018 Visitation from Büdingen Residents:
 - Lucas updated the Commission on details of the upcoming visit.
 - An email was sent out last week as well as a bulletin through the Village. There were some errors in the Marketing bulletin that was sent out. More oversight needs to be had on anything that they send out on our behalf. The message was correct, the photos were incorrect.
 - Church bulletin emails were sent out. Lucas will follow up with the few churches that he has not received a response from.
 - Clerk Therion reached out to the German group in Frankfort. They asked that we send them some information on the exchange and what is required.
 - Edda's email was handed out and discussed in further detail with regards to the additional family. We are still working to assign host families to our visitors.
 - Roxane will reach out to the media with regards of getting the message out to find host families (22 people and we need 8 additional host families).
 - Review of questions to ask for potential host families.
- Lucas and Edda have agreed to a tentative Skype call on July 28th, 9 a.m. in the Fulton Conference Room.
- 2020 Visitation - Nothing to update.

Mallow Sister City Update:

- Lucas has reached out to Mallow. We are looking at having our first Skype with Mallow either August 4th or 11th.

Prospective Sister City Updates

Nowy Sącz, Poland Update:

- Reta presented us an update with Nowy Sącz. Travel is not required but both cities will need the same document, one in English and one in Polish. Each Mayor will be presented with two copies of each, where as they will sign all four documents and then split them so each city/village has an English copy and a Polish copy. Reta will send Rob a copy of the resolution template from International Sister Cities to be approved by the Board.

Updates on Currently Open Business

TPSC Promotional Materials:

- Roxane is still working on the pamphlet. It will be ready before the next meeting and to distribute

Cultural Exchange Program

- As far as we know, no one will be going out in July for the arts fest in Büdingen.
- Rob provided an update on the bussing situation. The mechanic put the order in for the new bus and it will be ready before the students or Büdingen visitors arrive. The bus will be short 8 for the students and 12 short for the Büdingen visit. Options were discussed on alternatives to cover the shortage that included renting a conversion type van (8-10 people).

Upcoming Business

- The June Sister Cities Commission meeting will be canceled.
- The July meeting is being moved to Wednesday, July 11, 2018. Jim motioned to cancel the regular meeting on July 18, 2018 and have a special meeting on July 11, 2018, Marilyn second. The motion passed.

New Business:

- None.

Public Comments

- No comment.

Adjourned at 8:19 p.m. Marilyn 1st, Jim 2nd. Adjourned.