

Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission Meeting Minutes May 16, 2012

Members Present-

Acting Chair: Randal Tietz; Secretary: Roxane DeVos Tyssen; Trustee Liaison: T. J. Grady; Commissioners: Marilyn Bill, Carol Tietz, Dianne Przybylski and Joanne Dykhuizen.

Members Not Present-

Commissioners: Petrovich, Dobner and Jenczmoinka.

Chairman Randal Tietz called the May 16, 2012 Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

Motion to approve agenda for tonight's meeting: Commissioner Carol Tietz; Second: Commissioner Joanne Dykhuizen

Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and approved: Commissioner Roxane Tyssen, Second Commissioner Marilyn Bill.

Liaison Trustee Report

- There was a first reading on the gaming regulations. Many bar and restaurant owners met at with the Village officials. The point of local regulations may be moot if the state moves to enact laws that will supersede the Village ordinance.
- Aggregated electric is still being discussed. The average savings will be about \$350/year per household.
- Trustee Grady took a tour of the new warehouse. It is 20% stocked with merchandise and they are beginning to ship from there.
- Trustee Staunton is throwing out the first pitch at the White Sox game for the Tinley Park White Sox night.
- Trustee Grady will not be at the June meeting due to a conflict schedule.
- The 80th Avenue train station is nearing completion. It is 80% complete and they are working on the underpass. A target completion date is set for November of 2012.

Chair Report

- The Commissioner opening was discussed. An e-mail was sent to Jonathan J. Raloff for additional contact information.
- The student exchange was discussed. We do have a host family but have not heard from either school recently. No firm dates have been set for the exchange as of yet.

New Business

- Princess Elizabeth is in town and Carol had an opportunity to speak at length with her. There is a young girl who needs a host family for the summer. She would be happy to watch children. Her parents work for HRH Elizabeth and she comes highly recommended.
- Save the date for Diversity in Action. October 5 & 6, this is the Midwest Regional SCC convention and it is being held in Cincinnati.

- For the Tinley Park White Sox night, tickets can be ordered for ½ price through the Village.

Old Business

- None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:27

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – July 18, 2012