

## **Minutes of the Community Resources Commission**

**December 12, 2012**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Kallsen Center**

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

### **Roll Call:**

Present were: Reta Brudd, Chair; Members: Ron Centanni, Mike Cutrano, Deb Melchert, Al Siegers, Sheri Reiplinger, Barbara Rose Whalen, Assoc. Member Phil Raines.

Absent: Don Budny, Assoc. Member Jack Carey, Steve Grein, Mike Sevier, Dave Szumigalski, Liaison Tom Staunton

### **Approval of the Agenda:**

Motion was made by **Barbara Rose Whalen**, seconded by **Deb Melchert** to approve the agenda as presented with Christmas Market moved to Old Business.

**Correspondence:** None.

### **Minutes:**

Motion was made by **Phil Raines**, seconded by **Barbara Rose Whalen** to accept the minutes of the November 14, 2012 minutes as written.

### **Unfinished Business:**

**Reta Brudd** said there are 5 members who did not complete their OMA training. Needs to be completed by the end of the year.

### **Studio**

**Mike Cutrano** needs more students to help in the studio. Only has 2 students helping in the studio. Taping went excellent. Mike ordered one box of 34 minute tapes and one box of 184 minute tapes.

### **Youth In Government**

**Ron Centanni** stated that Youth In Government was successful, all were present and showed up for the first time in many years. The students were asked to send in their resolutions that they discussed. New resolutions this year were 1) overnight parking on neighborhood streets and 2) naming a street after the Lincoln-Way principal. He would like to see the suggestions enacted some year.

**Reta Brudd** and **Deb Melchert** reported it was the best in many years.

**New Business:**

**Discover Tinley**

**Reta Brudd** said next meeting will be all Discover Tinley. Discover Tinley information packets are complete and envelopes will be stuffed at tonight's meeting. We need to keep a list of the restaurants and those will have a separate cover letter from the mayor. All will be mailed out on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Forms and information will also be on-line.

**Old Business:**

**Christmas Market/Santa's Arrival**

**Reta Brudd** said all went smoothly at the market. We had enough gifts of everything for the kids visiting Santa.

**Deb Melchert** and **Al Siegers** attended the wrap-up meeting. Totals were up \$56.00 from last year, \$822.50 in donations with actual cash donations of \$482.00, and \$822.00 in actual product sold for a total of \$1,650.52. Deb would like to collect stuffed animals to continue having something for the kids at the booth. These stuffed animals will be sold at the village events and all the profits will go to the care packages. Posted it on facebook page, Heather Haus facebook page and a Roseland facebook page and first donation came in. The old "Roselandites" are getting together on the 29<sup>th</sup> of this month at Traverso's and should have a lot of stuffed animals donated at that point. All stuffed animals will be stored in storage bins being purchased from Craig's List. A few thoughts/considerations discussed at the wrap-up meeting were: 1) Next year a different arrival for Santa; 2) maybe the balloon guy at the Historical Society to draw more people over there; 3) gingerbread house contest maybe at the historical society? Deb Melchert also stated that some material presented by Dave Rudolph was not family friendly or age appropriate for an afternoon kid performance. Also wondered if the booth next to the village booth had a food/business license and how they were able to set up their booth so much outside of their actual booth.

**Al Siegers** said the Toyland parade was a big success and really kicked off the market and brought everyone over to the tent. The amount of toys were down from last year but a lot of kids were in the parade. "No parking" signs were needed during the Parade of Lights, especially in front of Durbin's on Oak Park Avenue to control cars trying to park in front of the restaurant. It was also questioned if two parades are needed? Al also mentioned South Street construction in 2013 might interfere with the market and events. Relocating the market to 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue train station may be an option to consider. A decision would need to be made allowing adequate time to plan and make the changes. A lot of money was saved on propane because of the weather. Comments were that the films were not the best selection and had a lot of commercials during the movies. Brought up the possibility of "Take a Ticket System" for the Santa numbers and have a LED screen but someone would need to fit it in their budget and it can be used at various events.

**Deb Melchert** thought the porta potties needed to be serviced more often. Hand sanitizer was out early on.

**Phil Raines** wants to see ALL of Oak Park Avenue closed during the parade. Keeping the southbound lanes open for the toy parade was too dangerous.

**Mike Cutrano** did not feel the platform was secure enough and microphones needed to be moved to allow for better sound for the children. Risers were nice but blocked the view. Might need to turn stage.

**Ron Centanni** would like to see some different rides for the kids. He said the paper had an article that stated the market was stale and boring.

**Reta Brudd** would like to include a request for proposal for Santa pictures from Photos by Rick. They are a local business that now has the equipment to produce high quality pictures on site for us. In previous years they were not able to do them.

### **Adjournment**

There being no other business, a motion was made by **Barbara Rose Whalen**, second by **Sheri Reiplinger** to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.