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October 14, 2009

The Tinley Park Community Resources Commission meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Al Siegers at 7:33 p.m., at the Kallsen Conference Center.

Present: Acting Chairman Al Siegers and Commissioners: Don Budny, Ron Centanni, Deb Melchert, Phil Raines, Jeff Studzinski and Dave Szumigalski. Commissioners: John Carey, Mike Cutrano, Steve Grein and Mike Sevier arrived after roll call

Absent: Chairman Reta Brudd and Commissioners: Linda Hayes and Barbara Rose Whalen.

Guests: Amy Chmura – Staff Liaison and Jim Alroth – Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Deb Melcher to approve the Agenda with an addition under New Business A. Wine Tasting, seconded by Don Budny. Motion carried by voice vote.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Phil Raines to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2009 meeting as submitted, seconded by Deb Melchert. Motion carried by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

Christmas Events

Amy Chmura, Staff Liaison reported we will have a short kids' parade with a Toyland theme to bring Santa in on Saturday morning. She has obtained a number of costumes from a shop going out of business. The OPAMA Light Parade will be held at the end of the events on Sunday night to escort Santa as he leaves. The morning parade will come to the train station from the north and OPAMA will proceed from the train station to the south.

Santa and the photographer have been booked. Several of the crafters have come in for the market. Friday will be the deadline for submitting applications. The same kids' rides as last year have been ordered for both dates. The movies will be shown at the Landmark, and Carriage Rides are all set. Ice carving will take place at the fountain.

Annette Rickerson asked if the step-off time for the light parade is 5:00 p.m. and the Santa Visit some times running over, there is a way for Santa and Mrs. Claus to join the parade if they run late. Amy said they could possibly be taken down a back street to 175th and come in at the end.

Ron Centanni suggested that because of the difficulty getting Santa and Mrs. Claus to the Sunday night parade in time, the parade should start at 6:00 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m. Amy said she would look into it.

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Acting Chairman Siegers said Chairman Brudd will be out of town during this event, but he is sure we will make her proud. He asked if there is an itinerary of when we will be needed to be available for these events.

Amy said she has been looking at the stockings, but they have gone up in price. She asked if there was something different we would like to pass out. She will provide samples of other items for a choice. If we have the stockings for our meeting we could label them during the meeting as we have in the past or Amy can contact community service volunteers. The candy canes have been ordered.

Studio

There was no update.

Acting Chairman Siegers thanked Mike Cutrano and Mike Sevier for the time and effort they do at the Studio.

CRC Picnic/BBQ

Acting Chairman Siegers thanked everyone for letting him provide the location for this event, and the refreshments they provided. A good time was had by all who were able to attend.

Discover Tinley

Annette Rickerson reported the final draft of the initial letter will be available for proofing at the November meeting because she needs to obtain the information to be included for the website. The last day for registration will be April 3rd, 2010.

Acting Chairman Siegers said if we could move the deadline date up it would be a help to him for planning because he will also be involved in the wine tasting. Annette suggested having a deadline of March 30th.

Annette explained the process she uses with the coordination of the Chamber list and business license list. She normally has the date for the week after New Year's on the letter and has them to the Village Hall for mailing on that date. She asks that the website not post the information before that date. Amy will assist Annette in getting the website information she needs for the letter and lists of restaurants in town for the Taste of Tinley. This should be posted on the website from January 9th through March 30th.

Discover Tinley Booklet

This information will be placed on line, but we have no further information

New Business

Youth in Government

Ron Centanni reported the introductory meeting will be held on November 24th and the Board meeting will be December 1st. He said that Laura Godette, Deputy Clerk will be sending out the letters, but after Annette mentioned they go to people outside of the Village Hall, he advised her

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to send out our letter as well. Jeff Studzinski will be taking over the duties that Don Budny had done.

He then explained for the new commissioners that Youth in Government is a mock board meeting run by teens from the area high schools. They meet with their counterparts and report back at this meeting. They also provide input of what they would like to see happen in the Village.

Acting Chairman Siegers thanked Ron and Don for their hard work on this event over the years.

Wine Tasting

Acting Chairman Siegers said after hearing input at the last meeting, a decision was made to hold the wine tasting between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. He distributed the Mission Statement for this event. They have a nice group of volunteers from the Chamber working on this event.

Annette asked if the Chamber would be selling tickets for this event at their booth at Discover Tinley because they are eligible to do so as a not-for-profit. Acting Chairman Siegers would like to promote this event in the materials distributed for Discover Tinley.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Don Budny and seconded by Deb Melchert to adjourn to the November 11th meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.