

February 11, 2009

The Tinley Park Community Resources Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Reta Brudd at 7:35p.m., at the Kallsen Conference Center.

Present: Chairman Reta Brudd and Commissioners: Don Budny, Ron Centanni, Marcia Cummins, Mike Cutrano, Mike Sevier, Al Siegers and Barbara Rose Whalen

Absent: Commissioners: Jack Carey, Steve Grein, Erika Grotto, Nancy Kolb, Deb Melchert and Dave Szumigalski

Guests: None

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Don Budny to approve the Agenda as submitted, seconded by Marcia Cummins. Motion carried by voice vote.

Correspondence

Trustee Staunton advised the Commission Sheryl Carroll, one of the 911 Command Post Dispatchers passed away today. Also, Dennis Kallsen, former Village Manager passed away in Iowa.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Barbara Rose Whalen to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2009 meeting as presented, seconded by Don Budny. Motion carried by voice vote.

Trustee Staunton requested he no longer be mailed hard copies of the minutes.

Unfinished Business

Studio

Mike Cutrano reported we need to add memory to our equipment. This will be discussed at a later time.

Ron Centanni said there was an article in the Sunday Tribune commenting on the David Letterman Show having former Governor Blagojevich on where it said the next ex-Governor's guest chair will be on the Cable Access show in Tinley Park.

Holiday Get-together

Chairman Brudd thanked Al and Donna Siegers for hosting a great event. Everyone that attended had a fabulous meal and a great evening.

Discover Tinley Booklet

Marcia Cummins reported that we discussed at the last meeting whether or not the budget would allow for the printing and mailing of this publication. Since that time there has been some discussion by the Mayor and Village Board with regard to the cost and the upcoming budget.

She and Chairman Brudd have discussed doing the publication electronically. In the past the expense was between \$18,000 and \$20,000 for the booklet. The conclusion was reached to “go green” and have the publication placed on the Village Website, with postcards being mailed out to notify the residents of this change. Mayor Zabrocki said the notification would be placed on the water bills. In lieu of printing the book, flyers would be distributed at Discover Tinley in lieu of the book directing them to the Webstie.

She has received more recent photos than we have. An advantage of going electronic is that we will have the capability to update the information more often as changes come in on a monthly basis. It may be necessary to purchase an updated version of Acrobat but this is much cheaper than \$20,000. The format will be on an 8.5” x 11” sheet. This will allow users to print either on the two page format or only the pages people use in the set format.

Discussion occurred on the fact that we will be “going green” with Trustee Staunton stating how we are promoting the use of “green technology” within the Village, and how this would be a large cost savings with our current economy.

Commissioner Ron asked if some should be printed for PR purposes to be distributed at the Village Hall. Marcia said as a Commission it is our responsibility to respond to calls from people who cannot obtain the book we get their name and send them a copy of the document. Chairman Brudd said it would be up to the Clerk’s Office if they wish to do this. Al Siegers said if we do this it could open a can of worms.

Scholarships

Don Budny reported the applications will be mailed to the school on Friday, February 13th. They should be to the schools by Tuesday because of the Holiday on Monday. Chairman Brudd reminded everyone this is a nonrenewable scholarship. Trustee Staunton said we need to remember to include Lincolnway North in the mailing. We will be sure to mail forms to Lincolnway Ron said when he spoke to the school regarding Youth In Government, they said they currently do not have many students from Tinley Park.

Discover Tinley

Chairman Brudd asked Mike Cutrano to coordinate the items we will need for the Expo with Public Works. She asked if the set up for packet distribution was okay last year. Annette said it worked well, but it would help if there could be a sign that says “stop” at the vendor distribution area because people do not really pay attention to the sign we are using.

We did not have the problems last year of hotel guests needing to stop at this area, nor did vendors enter through the front doors because they were locked. We always have a problem with visitors, who want to enter early,

The Chamber will be mailing out information in their newsletter stating the deadline is March 20th. Al feels this is an economical opportunity for the businesses to reach five thousand people within five or six hour’s time. Annette said people who have contacted her who have not been here before have said they foresee a larger crowd than normally anticipated because families are

looking for inexpensive things to attend. Al said it is both reasonable to the public and the businesses.

Al said the layout will be similar to last year, with only a few possible changes. He suggested we route the people through the entrance across from Margaret Collina's office for a change. Marcia agree that it is closer to the front entrance and may be a better idea than walking down the hall to enter. Chairman Brudd said this would also allow them to exit by the far door.

Al feels the cars would draw them to the other end, instead of being the first thing they see instead of the entertainment.

The Taste of Tinley booths that have come in are Culver's, Creative Cakes, Holiday Inn and Jenny's Steak House. Annette said information has been forwarded to Nick & Vito's. Forms should be sent to the new Pop's, Blue Fox and Durbin's. Trustee Staunton said new restaurants will be opening called Bailey's at the former Jim's Inn and Casablanca Steakhouse who could also be contacted.

Annette said she will be out of town from February 21s to March 5th. She will advise the Clerk's Office to take messages from anyone who needs to be contacted and tell them they will be contacted after March 5th..

Chairman Brudd said help will be needed on March 27th, and everyone should contact Al for times.

New Business

None

Good of the Order

Trustee Staunton reported with the current economy the Village is experiencing hard financial times. He will be bringing more information over time, but are currently asking all Chairs to review their budgets to see what could be removed for a temporary period of one or two years. These requests and cuts will be made across the board for all Commissions. He asked if the Commissioners would please discuss any possible changes they see with Chairman Brudd. A tentative meeting is set for next week with the Commission Chairs to discuss the budget.

Chairman Brudd said she has found we could cut back \$3500 for Discover Tinley because we no longer will need to pay for the booklet, and the line item for the Studio will be cut from \$3,000 to \$1,500 as long as our equipment is in good working condition. She also said we have cut \$500 from Scholarship and \$500 from Youth In Government because that is what has remained in the budget at the end of each of the last three years. We will be eliminating \$7500 from the budget without any impact to our Commission.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Barbara Rose Whalen and seconded by Don Budny to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

