

Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission Minutes

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

7:00 p.m. Village Chambers

The December 16, 2020 meeting was held via conf. call.

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

- Recognize Commission members present: Chairman/Commissioner Patrick Rea; Secretary/Commissioner Roxane Tyssen; Commissioners: Marilyn Bill, Lucas Hawley, Sarah Krause, Jim Muller, George Rohde, and Michele Rons, Rob Zimmer
- Staff Liaison: David Niemeyer
- Absent: Associate Commissioners Julie and Kurt Dekker

Approval of Minutes:

- Approval of November 18, 2020 Sister Cities Commission Meeting Minutes: Rob Zimmer made the motion to pass the minutes as presented, Lucas Hawley seconded; All in favor. Motion to approve November 18, 2020 minutes passed.

Sister City Updates:

Büdingen, Germany Update:

- Germany has gone back to restrictions and anticipates another lockdown in the coming weeks. They are allowing travel over the weekend of Christmas.
- Projects are currently on hold again.

Mallow, Ireland Update:

- There is no update on Mallow, Pat Carr reports that they are under strict restrictions due to COVID.
- We will be presenting a resolution to the Village Board to recognize our upcoming 20th Sister Cities Anniversary with Mallow in May of 2021. A more formal recognition is still being discussed.

Nowy Sącz, Poland:

- Letters will be scanned to email to Nowy Sącz and the Polish consulate.

Prospective Sister Cities:

Jordan:

- The village of Aqaba is excited about the prospect of having Tinley Park as a sister city. Until travel restrictions ease, we are on hold for formal declarations.

Canada:

- Dave Niemeyer will be sending out an inquiry request to his Canadian counterparts to see if there are communities who would be interested in a sister cities partnership with Tinley Park. Roxane 's email address will be provided for contact information.

New and Upcoming Business:

- The commissioners are delaying getting together for the holidays until COVID restrictions ease.

Old Business:

- None.

Public comments:

- None.

Adjourned:

- Jim Muller motioned to adjourn, George Rohde seconded, all were in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.