

MINUTES OF THE SISTER CITIES COMMISSION

May 9, 2018

The members of the Sister Cities Commission met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, 9 May, 2018, at 1:00 pm at Danville City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Milton Reigelman and, upon roll call, the following members were documented as either present or absent:

PRESENT

Milton Reigelman, Chair
Nick Wade
Gail Louis
Laura Jack
Mary Beth Touchstone
Georgia de Araujo
Liz Orndorff
Ray Hammond
Jane Dewey

ABSENT

Russ Goodwin

Guest: Brandon Long. The Chair declared a quorum of the 11 current members.

The meeting was called to order. The April 11, 2018 minutes were unanimously approved.

No official Financial Report was presented. Donations from Sponsors and Benefactors total \$4,200.00. The City of Danville has made a 50% cut to the 2018-2019 funding request.

On May 16, 2018, Mary Beth Touchstone will request approval from the Architectural Heritage Board to locate the Artist Exchange mural on the Elmwood Inn Fine Teas building at 135 N 2nd Street. Once the location has been approved, the design will have to be submitted for review and approval.

Danville Exchange Artist, Brandon Long, will install a mural at the Castle Rock School in Carrickfergus. He anticipates student involvement in the creation.

Return of Tinker Doyle sponsors' night is coming together. Details on the Whiskey Tasting by Ray Hammons are as follows:

- Event to be held on June 12, 2018 at 6 p.m.
- Servers are Laura Jack, Nick Wade and Milton Reigelman
- Participants are to register for the event at the time they purchase tickets to the play

The following are some suggestions to explore for Economic Exchange Development:

- What are our commerce commonalities?
- Can tourism replace revenues lost with the recent closure of cigarette and car manufacturing in Ballymena?
- Why is Carrickfergus not on the regular bus tours of Northern Ireland?
- Can additional tourism be generated through ancestry research?

A gift for the latest Royal has been selected; a pewter cup from The Danville Sister Cities will be sent to Prince Louis, son of the Baron and Baroness of Carrickfergus.

Mary Beth Touchstone suggests participation by all commissioners in the Non-profit Board Training scheduled for May 14, 2019.

Our next meeting will be at our regular time and place on the regular second Wednesday of the month: June 13, 2018. The meeting was adjourned.

Milton Reigelman, Chairman

Rachel R. White, Secretary