

CENTERVILLE SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 5, 2016

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Carolyn, Basford, Chair. Members present were Cindy Clay, Phil McLaughlin, Marilyn Hoback, Suzie Holloway, Mike Vacchiano, Mary Pizza, and John Beals, our Council Liaison.

November Minutes: The minutes of the November meeting were approved as written.

Budget Report: Phil reported that our budget was approved for the requested amount of \$5480.00. Out of this, the invoice for the 2016 Sister City International Dues of \$415.00 has been paid. Phil also mentioned that the National SCI Conference will be held July 14-16, 2016 in Washington, DC. No discussion was held on this.

OLD BUSINESS:

Search for a New Canadian Sister City: We received letters declining our requests for new Sister City relationships from Kirkland and Trois Riveras in Quebec. John has written a letter to Salaberry de Valleyfield, but as yet, he has not received a response from there.

Carolyn mentioned the possibility of Ashbourne, Ireland, which is 10 miles from Dublin in County Meath. We will discuss that more at a later time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trip to Bad Zwischenahn in 2017: Cindy has been in touch with Sebine in Bad Zwischenahn, and they are expecting a visit from us in 2017. It is time to develop firm plans for the trip so that we can advertise it to the community for those who may wish to join us. We have previously discussed the desire to do a European River Cruise after our visit to Bad Z. Linda Spears has given Carolyn several catalogs advertising a variety of River Cruises. Each of us will take a catalog at home to review, and we will discuss our choices and questions at the March meeting. After we agree on a choice, we will begin to develop a brochure to advertise it.

The meeting was then adjourned. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7:00PM in the Centerville Police Department conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Pizza, Secretary