

Santa Fe Springs Sister City Committee Town Center Hall – Meeting Room 1 Monday, August 5, 2019

- 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> Chairperson Peggy Radoumis called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.
- 2. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> Francis Carbajal
- 3. ROLL CALL ADAM MATSUMOTO, PARKS & RECREATION DIVISION MANAGER

Members Present: Francis Carbajal, Andrea Lopez, Marcella Obregon, Beverly

Radoumis, Peggy Radoumis, Laurie Rios, Martha Villanueva,

Doris Yarwood, Charlotte Zevallos, Manny Zevallos

Members Absent: Susan Johnston, Jacqueline Martinez, Kayla Perez, Jeannette

Wolfe

Staff: Michelle Smith, Community Services Supervisor/Executive

Secretary (Excused)

Adam Matsumoto, Parks & Recreation Division Manager

Eric Ey, Acting Community Services Supervisor

Council Liaison: Juanita Trujillo, Mayor (Excused)

Guests: None

- 4. <u>ORAL COMMUNICATIONS</u> PEGGY RADOUMIS- CHAIRPERSON Nothing to report
- 5. APPROVAL OF JUNE 3, 2019 MINUTES*

A motion was made by Charlotte Zavallos, and seconded by Laurie Rios, to approve the amended Minutes of June 3, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.

- 6. <u>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT –</u> Council Liaison Report is tabled in Mayor Juanita Trujillo's absence.
- 7. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT ADAM MATSUMOTO
 - a. Fiestas Patrias, Friday, September 13, 2019 @ Town Center Plaza –This year's Fiestas Patrias will be held at Town Center Plaza on Friday, September 13th from 6:010 p.m. 11:00 p.m.
- 8. OLD BUSINESS PEGGY RADOUMIS
 - a. Fundraising Ideas & Upcoming Fundraisers

- Clothing Drive will be held on September 7th. Donations should be taken to Charlotte Zavallos' house.
- Fiestas Patrias fundraising will consist of nachos, popcorn, water, coffee, and soda. Planning and discussion ensued.
 A motion was made by Francis Carbajal, and seconded by Laurie Rios, to approve \$400 in change for the Fiestas Patrias Fundraising Booth. The motion carried unanimously.

9. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> – PEGGY RADOUMIS

- a. Selection of Nomination Committee* Mr. Matsumoto informed the Committee that each August meeting a Nomination Committee is selected. The Selection Committee will be chosen by the Sister City Committee and cannot be on the Nomination Committee two years in a row. The Selection Committee will bring their suggestions to the September meeting where the Committee will vote. The following Committee Members were appointed by Chairman Radoumis: Francis Carbajal, Laurie Rios, Beverly Radoumis, Doris Yarwood, and Martha Villanueva.
- b. Discussion and Selection of September Meeting Date* The next scheduled Sister City Committee meeting falls on Labor Day. Mr. Matsumoto asked for suggestions for an alternate date. Discussion endued. A motion was made by Francis Carbajal, and seconded by Beverly Radoumis, to hold the September Sister Committee meeting on Monday, September 9, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

10. <u>FINANCIAL REPORT*</u> - JEANNETTE WOLFE – TREASURER

June/July Finance Report – Although Treasurer Jeannette Wolfe was absent from meeting, she was able to send the June/July Financial Report. The June/July Report was distributed and looked over by Committee Members.

A motion was made by Francis Carbajal, and seconded by Charlotte Zavallos, to receive and file the financial report. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Bills/Invoices -

No bills.

11. <u>SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT</u> – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Young Ambassadors Subcommittee Report -

Chairperson Radoumis asked Susie Johnston to reach out to Germany for an update on the chaperon situation. There has been no response. Chairperson Radoumis would like the Committee to consider finding a new Sister City to visit if Tirschenreuth is no longer interested. If there is no response from Tirschenreuth then Chairperson Radoumis will reach out to City Council and the Sister City International about finding a new Sister City. Chairperson Radoumis asked Mr. Matsumoto to brief the City Council. Francis Carbajal suggested that Mr. Matsumoto send an official letter to Tirschenreuth from the City for information on their intentions.

b. Navojoa Subcommittee Report – Peggy Radoumis Nothing new to report.

12. <u>FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</u> – ADAM MATSUMOTO

- Young Ambassador Association Standing Rules Discussion Subcommittee Report
- Sister City Committee Standing Rules Subcommittee Report
- Tirschenreuth Update
- Fundraising Redistribution Discussion

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS - PEGGY RADOUMIS

- Francis Carbajal gave an up-date on her mother's health. She is doing better.
- Francis Carbajal reported that a former exchange student from Germany, Jeanie, recently got married.
- Peggy Radoumis thanked all that attended the Women's Club Fashion Show.
- Laurie Rios announced that she will not be at the next meeting due to her grandson's wedding.
- Martha Villanueva informed the Committee that two of the youth members, Natalia and Andrew, would not be able to go on the exchange next year since they will be going to Zambia on Mission. Ms. Villanueva asked if the Committee would be able to contribute their funds to the Mission instead since it was Germany that canceled the exchange this year. Mr. Matsumoto placed this on the Future Agenda Items for the next meeting.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Peggy Radoumis adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, 2019 at the Town Center Hall at 6:30 p.m.

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