

**MINUTES**  
**MAYOR'S INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2012**

**Present:** Jim Graf, Yolanda Graf, Keary Kautzer, Anna Schoen, Henry Schoen, Don Silvis, and Mary Rajer

**Excused:** Jean Kittelson, Jane Kautzer and Pam Gottsacker

**Guests:** Fire Chief Jeff Hermann

**Call to Order:** Jim Graf called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The committee stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes:** On a motion by Yolanda, second by Henry, the minutes from the January 10, 2012 meeting were approved. All ayes – motion carried.

**Correspondence:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Visit from Esslingen Firefighters:** Mary received an email from Jutta Fahrion regarding a visit from the Esslingen Fire Department. A group of 31 are arriving on May 27<sup>th</sup> and departing Sheboygan on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Jutta is requesting assistance with hotel rooms, bus transportation to and from Chicago and with organizing their program while they are in Sheboygan.

The group will be staying at The Blue Harbor Resort. Fourteen double rooms and one family room have been reserved. Mary is waiting for confirmation from the resort.

According to Jutta, they will be marching in the Memorial Day Parade (May 28<sup>th</sup>) along with members of the Sheboygan Fire Department. After the parade they would like to have a picnic at the lake. Mary reserved the Deland Community Center for this event. Chief Hermann will check with his department to see if he can recruit any volunteers to help with the brat fry and to see if he can secure any funds to help with food/drink/supplies. The committee will also help out and seek food donations. We will continue the discussion at next month's meeting.

May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> – per Jutta the program will be organized by the FD Sheboygan (also Police Department). Chief Hermann wasn't quite clear as to what they were expecting on these two days. He will be contacting Paul Leonindis from the Esslingen Fire Department to discuss further. Mary can also arrange a tour of the Waste Water Plant or other City departments if they are interested.

May 31<sup>st</sup>: Sheboygan and surrounding area/sightseeing. They suggested a trip to Wade House, Kohler Design Center and/or Waelderhaus, also Coast Guard Station. They would like to know cost of bus for day trip this day. Mary did check on 33 person bus from Go Riteway Transportation and the price for all day (9:00 – 4:00) was \$650.00. Mary will also check into alternative transportation for travel within and around Sheboygan for throughout their stay.

**Schedule next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Yolanda and seconded by Henry. All ayes – motion carried.

Submitted by:  
Mary Rajer, Secretary