

SSMMA DINNER MEETING
MARCH 17, 2022
TINLEY PARK CONVENTION CENTER
MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Kolosh called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Kolosh welcomed the group to the annual Vendor Fair/Member Appreciation event hosted by the Village of Tinley Park and sponsored by Comcast ComEd, Nicor and AT&T. Thank you to our Associate Members that support SSMMA and for our continued support from our sponsors.
- B. Kolosh invited host Tinley Park Mayor Michael Glotz to say a few words of welcome. Mayor Glotz invited all to take advantage of what Tinley Park has to offer. From numerous restaurants, downtown, parks, music scene and festivals for friends and families alike. Details can be found at visittinleypark.com.
- C. SSMMA will be hosting its first annual Gala on June 17 at Idlewild Country Club, stay tuned for details to come but make sure to mark your calendars for this special evening.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. DeLaurentiis thanked all the vendors and members that came for the vendor fair and hoped it was worthwhile. She recognized the Associate Members that support our work and continue to work hand in hand with us on our issues. Thanks to Mayor Glotz and all the sponsors of this event.
- B. DeLaurentiis echoed Kolosh's comments about the upcoming Gala. SSMMA is very excited to host this inaugural event. In support of the event, we are asking municipalities and members to donate a raffle basket that represents your community. Stay tuned for the official invitation.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. Mayor Reinbold reported that LGDF restoration and Southland Reactivation Act (which is being very well received by our legislators with bi-partisan support) are our biggest priorities. Other legislation that impacts our municipalities are being closely monitored. Please continue to make calls or submit witness slips as needed, it makes a difference. Thanks for everyone's hard work in the last few weeks, end of session is April 8.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1. No report.

C. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- 1. Leslie Phemister reported that STP projects are due.

D. HOUSING COLLABORATIVE

- 1. The next committee meeting is on April 14.

E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Reggie Greenwood reported that the industrial economic boom is still ongoing. University Park, Glenwood, Oak Forest, and Matteson all have large projects in process. Governors State University is holding a seminar on Earth Day on electric vehicles, please attend if you are interested.

5. REGIONAL AGENCY REPORTS

Kim Kislowksi reported on behalf of Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau:

- CSEDC has been awarded a grant from the Bureau to promote their earth day event. Their local grant program helps municipalities and non-profits promote their event with a 60/40 split.
- The printed brochures are going out but there is still time to get your events posted by tomorrow at noon.

6. OTHER

Winners of the SSMMA raffle bags are Karen Wingfield-Bond and Mayor Jada Curry. The Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce raffle winners are Deanne Jaffrey and Joe Woods.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kolosh asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Alsberry moved and Mayor Chalmers-Currin seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.