

**DUNCANVILLE SISTER CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL
203 E. WHEATLAND ROAD
MARCH 7, 2019 @ 7:00 P.M.**

A meeting of the Duncanville Sister City Commission was held on Thursday, March 7, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to wit:

Sandra Ciarochi	Commissioner	Present
Kay Kamm	Commissioner	Present
Fred Ciarochi	Commissioner	Present
David Green	Commissioner	Absent (UEX)
Mayor Gordon	Commissioner	Absent (UEX)
Sheila Balagna	Commissioner	Present
Rosalba Lavat	Commissioner	Present

The meeting convened in the Council Briefing Room and was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chair Sandra Ciarochi.

Item No. 1 –Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Commissioner Kay Kamm; seconded by Commissioner Fred Ciarochi to approve minutes from the February 7, 2019 Regular Meeting; passed unanimously in favor.

Item No. 2 Discussion on Planning for 2019 Monasterolo delegation visit to Duncanville:

Monasterolo is expected to have 20-25 people from their country visit Duncanville. The Commission discussed that the Smokin' Blues and Barbeque festival will not occur; there will not be a home game for the DHS football team that weekend for the visitors to attend; and Lockheed Martin will not be able to provide a tour. The Commission discussed the possibility of doing a distillery tour in Fort Worth. They also discussed attending Billy Bob's or Gilley's.

Chair Ciarochi reported that a bank account has been set up to accept donations and a treasurer and an auditor have been identified. She also reported they are trying to develop a daily cost summary.

Dr. Nancy Evans; former dentist in Duncanville that helped establish the Sister City Commission is now in Wichita Falls and knows several Italian pilots at Sheppard Air Force Base. Dr. Evans will make contact with the Italian Air Force pilots to invite them to Duncanville when the Monasterolo delegation is here.

Chair Sandra Ciarochi went over the expectations for the host families. There will be no more than two guests per host family home, speaking Italian is not necessary, and host families must provide a basic breakfast. She also suggested it would be good to know whether the host smokes, owns pets, and their work status. Chair Ciarochi asked Commissioner Balagna and Commissioner Lavat if they could put together more information on host duties and expectations.

Commissioner Kamm distributed copies of a draft request form for donations and sponsorships. Discussion ensued about sponsorship levels, recognition, and rewards.

Item No. 3 Discussion on Promotion and Education of Sister City Relationship:

Nothing was discussed

Item No. 4 Receive Public Comments:

Dario Crosetto spoke about why he believed the Sister City relationship has been undermined.

A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Balagna; seconded by Commissioner Lavat; passed unanimously in favor for. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Kevin Hugman, City Manager



Sandra Ciarochi, President