SCITUATE/WEST CORK SISTER CITY MINUTES

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Attendance: Brenda O’Connor, Peter Mehegan, Siobhan Hunter, Christine Walsh, John Sullivan, Patrice Maye, Maureen Dinsmore and Carol Sullivan-Hanley. Jim Canavan was present as a guest.

 The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm on Zoom

The acceptance of the May 5 2021 Agenda was accepted unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the April 7, 2021 meeting were accepted.

Treasurer’s Report: The current balance in the account is $14,942.48. There are now two accounts: the money for scholarships for the student exchange (placed in a higher interest earning account) and the “grant” money which needs to be spent June 30, 2021. Brenda O’Connor has been using these funds to purchase decals for the Trail, in addition to website support from Sperling.

Our “new” second committee, SSIHT has been incorporated and now includes formal Board of Directors, a set of bylaws and will soon gain 501 C3 status. Our first formal meeting will be May 26, 2021 at 5:30.

The documents for the Five-Year Review were shared and members were asked to share initial commentary at our next meeting in May. This is a work in progress.

Some Committee assignments are up per the by-laws, and others will be complete in 2022. This year, we will say “good-bye” to Kevin Callanan and Audrey Donovan. However, many will become new members of the SSIHT board of directors.

The Easter Rising Commemoration and Proclamation Dedication scheduled for April 26, 2020 was postponed; and occurred on Sunday morning April 25, 2021. The Irish Consulate was present in addition to other political dignitaries, Dr. Catherine Shannon, members of Sister City Committees and the public. Ruth Thompson, of the Scituate Mariner wrote up and showcase the story and Seth Pfeiffer recorded the event on YouTube.

We will meet next month on June 2, 2021 at 5:00. It will be in one of the new function rooms at the Scituate Senior Center.

We adjourned at 6:20pm.