

Hartford Sister City Meeting Minutes August 18, 2020

Present: Joan Ponzoni, Alison Litten, Laura Cooney, Brett Mayfield, Skye Murray

Meeting Called to Order at 5:07 PM

We began with a discussion on starting the process of having Sister City Signs up around town to let people know of our Sister City relationship with Cenon, France. We will need the approval of the Selectboard to erect the signs. We will work with Alicia Barrow, our Liaison on this, as well as the Highway Department to help us make and install them. Places we discussed having signs are as you enter town by the bridge coming from West Lebanon (there's a Hartford Town sign already there), the Train Station Welcome Center, The Visitors Center at Quechee Gorge, and the Town Hall Building.

We discussed having the potential of a high school student help us design a poster recognizing our sister City that we could hang up in the Train Station welcome center as well as send to Cenon as a gift.

We spoke of the potential of a high school student liaison to our committee; Allison will reach out after Sept. to the high school to discuss this.

We discussed asking the Selectboard to approve to 2 more member spots for our committee, we just have 5 right now, plus our School Board Liaison Michelle Boleski and our Selectboard Liaison Alicia Barrow.

We moved on to discuss sending a letter to Cenon with Photos of our town that Bret took to let them know we are thinking of them. Bret will send Pictures to Joan and Allison will write a short piece to attach to the pictures of what we have been up to, and Joan will send it to Layla Marjou in Cenon who is on Cenon's committee.

We held Officer Elections, and elected Alison Litten as our next Chair. Laura Cooney as our Vice Chair, Skye Murray was re-elected as Secretary. These roles will be in effect until May of 2021.

Regarding Finances Laura will contact John Clerkin our Town Treasurer to see how much money we have in our account; we will use this to pay for the signs.

Our next meeting will be on Sept. 15th at 5 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:43pm by closing motion.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Skye Murray