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Southwest Conference of MAYORS

MEETING AGENDA

March 30, 2022 - Monday

6:30 P.M. – Refreshments

7:00 P.M. – SCM Business Meeting

Bedford Park Wintrust Sports Complex

5499 West 65th Street, Bedford Park, IL

****Doors will be open at 6:00 P.M. for anyone that
Would like to explore the facility.***

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| I. | Call to Order, Welcome & Approval of the January 31, 2022 Meeting Minutes | Mayor Bennett |
| II. | President's Report | Mayor Bennett |
| III. | Executive Director's Report | Vicky Smith |
| IV. | Committee Reports | |
| | A. Transportation Committee | President Brady |
| | 1. IDOT Program Update | Handout |
| | 2. IDOT Local Roads Update | Handout |
| | 3. Local STP Report | Brittany Matyas |
| | 4. CMAP Report | |
| | 5. Cook County Highway Department Update | Peter Dirks |
| | 6. Planning Liaison Update | Brittany Matyas |
| | B. Legislation Committee Report | Mayor Bennett |
| | C. Utilities Committee Report | |
| | 1. Update Given by Utilities Companies' Representatives | |
| | D. Economic Committee Report | Mayor Straz |
| | E. Public Works Committee Report | Brittany Matyas |
| | F. Cal Sag Watershed Planning Council Report | Vicky Smith |
| V. | Other Business | |
| | A. CSCVB Update | Jim Garrett |
| | B. MVCC Update | Steve Pappageorge |
| | C. Pathlights (Formerly PLOWS) | Elaine Grande |



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D. Miscellaneous Task Forces/Committee Updates

VI. Old Business /New Business

VII. Next Meeting

April 19th, 2022 - Tuesday

Public Works Committee Meeting

9:30 A.M.

*** Location To Be Determined**

April 27th, 2022 - Wednesday

Cal-Sag WSPC/SCM Business Meetings

5:30 P.M. - Refreshments

6:00 P.M. – Cal Sag WSPC Meeting

7:00 P.M. – SCM Business Meeting

Justice Village Hall

7800 South Archer Road

May 17th, 2022 - Tuesday

SCM Transportation Committee Meeting

9:30 A.M.

*** Location To Be Determined**

May 25th, 2022 - Wednesday

SCM Dinner Meeting

6:00 P.M. – Reception

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June 29th, 2022 - Wednesday

SCM Annual Golf Outing

Gleneagles Country Club

VIII. Adjournment

**Southwest Conference of Mayors
January 31, 2022 – Meeting Minutes
Virtual – Via Zoom**

NAME	TITLE	REPRESENTING
Jerry Bennett	Mayor	City of Palos Hills
Bob Straz	Mayor	City of Palos Heights
Kris Wasowicz	Mayor	Village of Justice
Melissa Neddermeyer	President	Village of Willow Springs
Mary Werner	President	Village of Worth
John Mahoney	Mayor	Village of Palos Park
Charles Tokar	President	Village of Chicago Ridge
Steve Pappageorge	Executive Director, CCCE	Moraine Valley Community College
Patricia Eaves-Heard	Regional Manager	Nicor
Ryan Grace	Administrator	Village of Willow Springs
Brian O'Neill	Administrator	Village of Orland Hills
George Schafer	Administrator	Village of Lemont
Erin Aleman	Executive Director	CMAP
Adriana Carrasquillo	External Affairs Manager	ComEd
Philip Haliburton		ComEd
Mike Spolar		Robinson Engineering
Michael Peplow		Farnsworth Group
Meghan Milewski		Farnsworth Group
Ken Grunke	Executive Director	Pathlights
Peter Dirks	Planner	CCDOETH
Yohan Fernando	Govt. Affairs	Comcast
Jim Garrett	President	CSCVB
Matthew Zarebczan	Director of Economic Dev.	Village of Justice
Keith Grantland	Public Works Dir.	Village of Willow Springs
Kathy Hilton	Assistant	Cook County Comm. Morrison
Bill Lorenz		Village of Evergreen Park
Kevin Stallworth		IDOT Local Roads
Laura Shallow	Director	World Data Systems
Thomas Gill	President	Thomas Engineering
Housam Hajyousif	CFO	Viper Networks/GSI
Brittany Matyas	Program Coordinator	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Vicky Smith	Executive Director	Southwest Conference of Mayors

Attachments referred to in these minutes can be obtained by contacting the Southwest Conference of Mayors' office at (708)701-2232.

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. On a motion by President Tokar and seconded by Mayor Wasowicz the October 27th, 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved.

President's Report

Mayor Bennett congratulated Mayor Mahoney as being the new President of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Smith reminded the Mayors of the SCM's Springfield Lobby Day that will be held on March 23rd. She reminded the Mayors to RSVP for the luncheon and if they plan on staying in Springfield reservations should be made ASAP. Ms. Smith reported that the SCM's 2022 golf outing will be held on June 29th at Gleneagles Country Club and it will be the last SCM outing hosted there because Gleneagles will cease golf operations as of July 31st, 2022. The SCM will be looking for a new course to host its outing after 2022. The SCM will be looking for sponsors for the June 29th outing as well as prizes. Ms. Smith stressed the importance of all SCM Mayors contacting their General Assembly Members regarding the LGDF Legislation – HB 4169 and SB 3010. Ms. Smith also reported on HB 308 the Public Safety Pension Amortization Legislation. Ms. Smith noted that the Cook County Department of Public Health will be distributing KN-95 mask to the municipalities on Friday and Saturday at the Cook County Vaccination location in Matteson. Ms. Smith reminded the Mayors of the 2022 SCM Meetings and Events Schedule.

Committee Reports

IDOT Local Roads Update

Handout. Attachment A

Local STP Report

Ms. Matyas gave a brief update on the SCM's STP Program. Ms. Matyas reported on the schedule for the call for new STP projects.

Illinois Tollway Update

Handout. Attachment B

CMAQ Report

Ms. Aleman, CMAQ Executive Director, gave an update on the Federal Infrastructure Bill and noted specifics of the Bill. She reported on the LTA program; Safety on Roads; ADA; as well as other CMAQ matters.

CCDOTH

Mr. Dirks gave an update on the CCDOTH projects that are within the SCM municipalities. He noted funding opportunities from the County and acceptable projects. Attachment C

Planning Liaison Update

Ms. Matyas noted that she has been attending various CMAQ meetings and has been working closely with CMAQ staff and the other Planning Liaisons.

Legislative Committee Report

Mayor Bennett gave an update on numerous legislative issues. Mayor Bennett gave an update on the LGDF issue and on the ARPA funding issue. There was discussion on unfunded mandates as well as the police reform legislation. On a motion by Mayor Mahoney and seconded by Mayor Straz the 2022 Southwest Conference of Mayors' Legislative Priorities were approved.

Utilities Committee Report

The Utility Representatives were introduced and updates were given. Patricia Eaves, Nicor, gave a quick update. Yohan Fernando, Comcast, gave an update and noted that the Superbowl and the Olympics are on NBC. Phil Haliburton, ComEd, introduced Adriana Carrasquillo – his replacement. Mayor Bennett welcomed Ms. Carrasquillo and thanked Mr. Haliburton for dedication to the SCM and its Members.

Public Works Committee

Ms. Matyas noted that the SCM Public Works Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 15th at the Palos Hills new Public Works Facility. She asked the Mayors to encourage their Public Works Directors to attend the meeting.

Cal Sag Watershed Planning Council Report

Ms. Smith noted that the next meeting for the Cal Sag Watershed Planning Council will be held on April 27th at 6:00 P.M. at the Justice Village Hall.

Other Business

CSCVB Update

Mr. Garrett gave an update on all the activities of the CSCVB.

MVCC Update

Mr. Pappageorge gave an update on the matters at MVCC.

Pathlight Update

Ken Grunke reported on the programs that Pathlights is currently offering.

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Adjournment

On a motion by Mayor Mahoney and seconded by Mayor Straz the Southwest Conference of Mayors' Business Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.