1. CALL TO ORDER
   Mayor Ward called the ZOOM meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   Ward asked for a motion to approve the September 17, 2020 meeting minutes. Mayor Kolosh moved and seconded by Joe Wiszowaty, motion was approved.

3. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   A. Ward asked for a motion to approve the 2021 Meeting Calendar as presented. Mayor Braun moved and Mayor Einhorn seconded, motion was approved. Meetings may continue to be held by ZOOM past February if necessary.
   
   B. Mayor Reinbold presented Resolution 2020-004, Expedite Gaming Board Decision, recommended by the Legislative Committee and supported by the Executive Committee. Ward asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2020-004. Mayor Kolosh moved and Mayor Braun seconded, motion was approved. Director DeLaurentiis was directed to please issue approved resolution to the IL Gaming Board, the Governor’s Office and our Southland legislators.
   
   C. The Supreme Court ruling issued yesterday allows the Census Bureau to stop collection Census responses at midnight tonight. IL was at a 71.2% self-response rate, increasing by 1.2 points from the 2010 Census. Census Coordinator Victoria Nicholson reported the 99% of households have been counted nationally. Our efforts reached 15,000 residents through direct mail and placed 20,000 door hangers. Due to COVID the marketing efforts increased and other events coordinated with SSMMA municipalities did exceptionally well.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
   A. Director DeLaurentiis reported that the Cook County Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) reimbursement deadline is October 30.
   
   B. There will be a briefing with Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) staff regarding FEMA reimbursement November 16 at 10 a.m. The new FEMA submission deadline is January 2021.
   
   C. SSMMA has hired Shay Tyner as Finance Director. Shay introduced herself to the group, is excited to work with SSMMA and is a local resident.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS
   A. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
       Mayor Reinbold reported on the following topics:

       1. We are still anticipating that Veto session will be held for six days: November 17-19 and December 1-3. We are watching for draft legislation being filed. Anticipate Police Reform measures in Veto or Lame Duck Session. Senator Sims and others are scheduling Subject Matter hearings on Police Reform matters in October. Ethics hearings have been postponed until after the November 3 election.

       2. September 29 Committee meeting recap:
           a. IML Bills: Public Safety Pension Fund Reamortization and Exempt Local Pass-Through Revenues from GATA.
b. Qualified Immunity.

c. Cannabis-Equity concerns on license lottery.

d. Gaming-License decision (prompted Resolution 2020-004).

e. South Triad Reassessment-Continued study by SSMMA, analyzing data at township, municipal and property levels. If any municipality has key employer or industry firms they are concerned about let us know. Assessor Kaegi asked us to flag any abnormalities that we’re aware of. Will keep members informed if there is an advocacy position that SSMMA should consider taking.

3. Development of the 2021 Legislative Agenda Priorities is underway, Director DeLaurentiis will be sending out an email asking for members to identify their priorities and solicit ideas to be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mayor Kolosh reported on the following COVID-19 topics:

1. IEMA will be providing technical assistance and up to date information about FEMA reimbursement procedures and deadlines tomorrow at 10 a.m. SSMMA wants everyone to secure the most reimbursement possible from FEMA and Cook/Will Counties available for COVID.

2. Visit SSMMACOVID.org dashboard for up to date stats on COVID impact in your community. SSMMA GIS Analyst Kai Funahashi gave a walk-through of the website and answered any question had by members.

3. Cook County has reported that PPE will no longer be supplied by ERMS, municipalities will now have to plan for their own PPE. Make these purchases early to receive reimbursement from FEMA for 75% of cost.

C. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Mayor Einhorn and Leslie Phemister congratulated the 14 municipalities that were awarded Invest in Cook grants. Reminders that ITEP closes in early November and the STP Fund and CMAP cohort 4 or 100% funding for Phase 1 opens in January.

D. HOUSING COLLABORATIVE

No report.

E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/CSEDC

Reggie Greenwood reported that Amazon is hiring now for the holiday season in Monee; University Park-early 2021; Markham and Matteson will be later in the spring. CSEDC and GSU are hosting an online meeting with Amazon to answer questions about the jobs available: 1000 positions at $15/hour with benefits. Expected to hire an additional 3000-3500 in 2021. Please help share the information with your residents. Greenwood met with Amazon’s onboarding team in September about the robotics apprenticeship programs for maintenance technicians and they are looking to fill at least 3000 jobs of all levels. A discussion followed.

F. SOUTH SUBURBAN ECONOMIC GROWTH INITIATIVE

Kristi reported that the Southland Development Authority is looking to provide direct support to local businesses in your community. There are grant dollars available for the damages caused from the civil unrest this summer. Please share your business lists with Liz Castaneda at www.southlanddevelopment.org and continue to help get this information out to the public.
6. REGIONAL AGENCY REPORTS

Jim Garrett of the Chicago Southland and Convention Visitors Bureau reported that their office has been moved to Olympia Fields. They are now fully operational but have put a hold on all national/region advertising, reduced staff by 3 and consolidated job responsibilities. All event planning is also on hold and hope to resume as soon as possible. The sales staff is still very busy. The Southland is very strong with only a 5.8% drop in hotel occupancy for the month of July compared to last year. Their annual meeting will be moved to virtual, stay tuned.

7. OTHER

Planning Director Sarah Kobetis is working on an Asset Management 311 survey, please respond.

Oak Forest Hospital campus will be holding a briefing tomorrow, emails have been sent.

Mayor Braun commented that IML has filed a lawsuit related to the new Election Day holiday and they will let us know if municipal government is included by next week.

8. ADJOURNMENT

President Ward asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was moved and seconded, meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.