

The following minutes remain in draft form as they represent the final meeting before the commission's deletion by Ordinance No. 4443.



COMMUNITY ART & CULTURE COMMISSION
Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 6:30 PM, Longview Farm Park Pavilion
MINUTES

Call to Order A quorum was convened at 6:35PM.

X Commission Chair, Barbara Hughes

Ward I

X Mary Beth Wilson

Vacant

Ward II

Bill Schawacker

X Debbie Rushing

Ward III

X Michelle Francisco

Vacant

Ward IV

X David Murphy

Vacant

At Large

Vacant

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Staff Liaison: Catie Ward

There was one guest in attendance.

Approval of Minutes 3/10/21: Bill motioned for approval, seconded by Michelle and unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Concert Series – Volunteers

- a. Michelle volunteered and Alderman Hughes volunteered herself and her husband. Debbie and David will both be out of town for the June concert.
- b. David would like to see a City spokesperson for each concert – recommends Anne Nixon of the Mayor.
- c. Michelle offered to reach out to Alderman Pam Holman to help with the check-in table if we needed an additional volunteer.
- d. Michelle recommended putting something on the website as to why we charge for the concert.
- e. Michelle would like more advertisement. She has some ideas that she will meet with Catie about for 2022 series.

2. Updates

a. Resident Survey

- i. Mary Beth would like to have a reminder sent out about Discovery's new location.
- ii. Discovery needs "do not climb" signs
- iii. Send out survey again

3. Bedtime Stories

- a. David gave a brief update & recommends to not continue. This activity was originally created for COVID-19 when everyone was home and the activity is no longer relevant.

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Michelle motioned to discontinue this activity, Mary Beth seconded, unanimously approved.

4. Scavenger Hunt

- a. David gave brief update.
- b. Guest recommends checking out Manchester's St. Pat's Day. Mary Beth recommends a draw string bag to decorate opposed to the t-shirt.
- c. David motioned to set up a small committee with Parks & Trails and/or Conservation Commissions to get this activity up and going. Seconded by Debbie and unanimously approved.

5. Memorial Sculptures

- a. Members asked by the plaques at Town Square are in the pavilion and not with the tree/bench. Catie said she would get back to the members with the answer.
- b. Members would like to beautify the parks with memorial sculptures. Michelle motioned to create an outline (timeline, costs, limitations, etc.) for memorial sculptures and to work with Harry Weber as his work is already at Town Square. Seconded by David and unanimously approved.

6. Potential Sculpture Sites

- a. David gave a brief update.
- b. Michelle would like "entry" signs such as "Welcome to Town & Country". Michelle knows we already have smaller signs at entry points to the City but would like something more. Michelle recommends working with a monument company.
- c. Members discussed how to go about selecting the piece and how to pay for the project.
- d. Michelle asked who this project "falls under" as she thought it may be the City's Public Works Department. Michelle asked for Catie to find out details and get back to members at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Art Gallery Artist Selection
 - a. Mary Beth volunteered to take list of guest artist applications and to select artists to schedule for the Longview Farm House gallery.

OTHER

1. Debbie talked about the most recent art opening.
2. Michelle mentioned to partner with Wild Crush for events.
3. Michelle would like to add Art, Wine & Music to the next meeting.

ADJOURN – 7:47PM