



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Arts Commission
Commissions Room 2nd Floor

Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
October 1, 2014
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes 9-3-14

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Arts Outreach Events - Fall 2014 Art Outreach Ideas
- B. Arts Outreach Events - Spring 2015 Art Outreach Ideas
- C. Call for Artist Forms - Subcommittee Report
- D. Commission Communication Updates - Idea and Program Listing
- E. Project List - Student Art Project
- F. Commission Communication Updates - Marketing
- G. Banner Pole Project
- H. Decorated Object Competition
- I. Cultural Arts Award

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Informational Material / Announcements

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minute 9-3-14

Department: Planning & Community Development

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes	Minutes

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MINUTES OF
THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMISSIONS ROOM
OF THE VILLAGE HALL
SEPTEMBER 3, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M.

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Seitz-Pagano, Arts Chair
Toni Higgins-Thrash
Janet Souter
Scott DeLaney
Kristen Schurtz
Tara Riley
Christopher Laughlin

Also Present: Derek Mach, Staff Liaison

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS-THRASH MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHURTZ, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 2, 2014. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ARTS OUTREACH EVENT

Fall Art Outreach Event

Commissioner Souter explained that Kip Guyer has agreed to participate on the panel for the November 7 Art Outreach Event. Commissioner Souter explained that Mr. Guyer's background is video game design and Mr. Guyer teaches at the Illinois Institute of Art. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested having Mr. Guyer share some of his work on the screen. Commissioner Riley explained that there is a resident who is an illustrator and a resident who has also agreed to participate on the panel. Commissioner Riley commented that the illustrators name is Tom Kasulas. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the animated winner at the teen film festival be included on the panel. The Commission viewed the winning teen film. The Commission agreed that the three panelists could be an interesting program.

Commissioner Souter commented that the music director at Christian Liberty Academy has a group of violinists who are interested in performing. The Commission discussed inviting and recognizing the birdhouse winners as part of the program. The Commission agreed to recognize the first place winners for the birdhouse competition. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash is going to contact Metropolis regarding the ticket giveaway. Staff Liaison Derek Mach shared a draft of the postcard. Commissioner Souter commented that the Cultural Arts Award is typically given at the fall event.

COMMISSIONER RILEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SOUTER, TO PROCEED WITH THE DRAFT OF THE POSTCARD. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER SOUTER MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DELANEY, TO SPEND \$200 FOR FOUR GIFT CERTIFICATES FROM THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE OUTREACH PARTICIPANTS. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Spring Outreach Event

Commissioner Schurtz and Riley provided ideas for the Spring Art Outreach Event. Commissioner Schurtz explained that the theme is 'Reaching Musical Heights'. Commissioner Schurtz commented that El Ray Music might be an option to participate in the event. Commissioner Riley suggested reaching out to Arlington School of Music. The Commission discussed also reaching out to Metropolis. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested another option which is the Arlington Heights opera performance group that were part of the Cultural Arts Listing. Commissioner Souter commented that there is an opera group out of Rolling Meadows.

CULTURAL ARTS AWARD

Commissioner Souter explained that the Commission received a nomination for Will Hamm, the stained glass artist. The Commission reviewed Mr. Hamm's nomination.

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that past nominations in addition to any new nominations be considered for the award for a future year. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano explained that the nominations could carry over each year. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the nominations carry over since only one nomination was received. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash commented that it is clear in the letter that is sent to the nominators that they need to resubmit a nomination for an artist that they think should be considered for the award. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash explained that the award does not have to be given every year. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash felt the nominators should resubmit if they think an artist is worthy of the award and that the Arts Commission shouldn't dig in the past. Commissioner Schurtz agreed. Commissioner Souter commented that the Commissions should have a current nomination in order to fairly evaluate.

COMMISSIONER RILEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SOUTER, TO NOMINATE WILL HAMM AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2014 CULTURAL ARTS AWARD. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Higgins-Thrash volunteered to pick up the award and have the plaque updated. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash volunteered to call Mr. Hamm and inform him that he won the award.

COMMISSIONER SOUTER MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DELANEY, TO SPEND APPROXIMATELY \$150 FOR THE 2014 CULTURAL ARTS AWARD AND PLAQUE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CALL FOR ARTISTS FORMS

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there is any update regarding the artist forms. Commissioner DeLaney recommended that the forms be discussed at the next meeting. Commissioner Riley volunteered to work with Commissioner Delaney on updating the forms.

IDEA AND PROGRAM LISTING

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano shared an updated copy of the Idea and Program List. The Commission discussed updates for the list. Commissioner Laughlin and DeLaney volunteered for the Fall 2015 Art Outreach subcommittee. Commissioner Schurtz volunteered for the Film Festival subcommittee.

ARTIST COMMISSION PROJECT LIST

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano explained that the list has been previously revised. The Commission reviewed the revised list and discussed each project. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that the train station kiosk is a marketing item. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the marketing subcommittee evaluate the idea of a kiosk. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the music project be incorporated into a future Art Outreach Event. The Commission discussed leaving the idea of decorative benches on the potential project list. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the benches be placed on a future agenda. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash explained that the idea of a painted fire hydrant competition and decorated benches would require coordination with Village staff. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested exploring the idea of a student art project. Commissioner Laughlin commented that a student art project is an opportunity for high school students to collaborate in order to create an art piece or sculpture.

BANNER POLE PROJECT

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano explained that the plan is that the Banner Program will happen in the spring. Commissioner Souter asked if smaller banners could be placed on the lower downtown decorative light poles. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that the Village does not have brackets for the Downtown decorative light poles but staff will discuss the idea. The Commission discussed the benefits of a smaller banner.

WALK IN THE PARK ART FESTIVAL

Commissioner Higgins-Thrash explained that the event went well and suggested that the Arts Commission participate next year. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested that the Commission consider purchasing a pop up tent for these types of events. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash explained that the event was well attended.

PROMENADE OF ART FESTIVAL

Commissioner DeLaney commented that there needs to be something that attracts people to the booth/table for both the Promenade of Art Festival and the Walk in the Park Art Festival. Commissioner Riley suggested in addition to a giveaway, having more visuals in the booth/tent. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the marketing subcommittee evaluate and develop ideas.

BIRDHOUSE COMPETITION

The Commission discussed the success of the birdhouse competition. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that the theme (birdhouses) contributed to the success. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested using the old judging form and the Commission agreed. The Commission discussed the following ideas as possible objects to decorate as part of the 2015 Decorated Object Competition:

- Shoes
- Flower pots
- Umbrellas
- Kites
- Mailboxes
- Lawn ornaments

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked the Commission to continue to think of ideas and suggested that the Commission discuss at the next meeting.

LOCALLY COMPOSED MUSIC MARCH

Staff Liaison Derek Mach explained that a resident has expressed interest in an idea for locally composed marches as part of an upcoming 4th of July parade or other holidays. The march would be a suburban composition contest that includes neighboring communities. The Commission discussed the idea and reviewed the resident's e-mail. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there is another Commission that could assist with putting a program together as part of a joint effort. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano expressed concern with the work involved and the size of putting together such an event.

Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested coordinating with a local music school. Commissioner Laughlin expressed concern with attracting participants. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash commented that this is something that Frontier Days should coordinate if there is interest. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that currently the Commission does not have a Commissioner with a music background.

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that a response should be put together and forwarded to Mayor Hayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there is any new business? Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano shared information regarding the Motoring at the Museum Car Show on September 21, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER DELANEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHURTZ, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:15 P.M. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.