



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

Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
May 16, 2017
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes 4/5/17

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Spring 2017 Art Outreach
- B. Village Hall Art - Main Staircase
- C. Creative Writing Program
- D. Commission Communication Updates - Idea and Program Listing
- E. Commission Communication Updates - Marketing
- F. Arts Commission Brochure and Banner
- G. Decorated Object Competition
- H. Photography Competition
- I. Fall 2017 Art Outreach Event

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Promenade of Art Festival
- B. Informational Material/Announcements

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Department: Planning & Community Development

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

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**MINUTES OF
THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMISSIONS ROOM
OF THE VILLAGE HALL
APRIL 5, 2017 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
Janet Souter
Toni Higgins-Thrash
Scott DeLaney
Kristen Schurtz

Also Present: Derek Mach, Staff Liaison
Sam Farchione

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER DELANEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HIGGINS-THRASH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 1, 2017 ARTS COMMISSION MEETING. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SPRING OUTREACH EVENT

Commissioner Schurtz provided an update for the May 21 Spring Art Outreach Event. Staff Liaison Derek Mach shared a draft of the post card for the event. Commissioner Schurtz commented that the reception will begin at 6:30 PM and the event will start at 7:00 PM. Commissioner Schurtz explained that Up and Coming Theater will perform two or three acts as part of the event. Commissioner Schurtz also explained that the Improv Club from Rolling Meadows High School will be performing and Metropolis will perform one or two acts from Hair. Commissioner Schurtz commented that she is waiting to hear back from Harper regarding participation. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash commented that if the Commission needs another group of performers that Saint Viator might be an option. The Commission discussed the details for the presentation of the winner of the photography competition, which will occur at the beginning of the event.

VILLAGE HALL ART

Commissioner Souter commented that the original painting is nowhere to be found, and the artist does not have a high resolution file of Meyer's Pond. Commissioner Souter explained that in order to create a high resolution file, the Arts Commission would like to have an artist touch up a print that is approximately 3'x5'. Commissioner Souter commented that once the print is touched up, the image will be photographed in order to create the high resolution file and then the image will be enlarged to approximately 17'x18' and printed on wallpaper. Commissioner Souter explained that there are a few local artists capable and interested in touching up the image. Commissioner Souter explained that each artist would be required to submit a small sample prior to selecting the finalist. Commissioner Souter commented that this will be more cost effective than having a mural artist paint the image directly on the wall. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that since there are additional costs, staff will need to discuss the plan. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that the Commission will wait to hear back from staff on how to proceed.

BANNERS

Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that the banners have been installed. Arts Chair Seitz commented that the next phase is the Downtown banners. Staff Liaison Derek Mach explained that staff is evaluating options for banners in the Downtown.

CREATIVE WRITING PROGRAM

Commissioner Souter provided an update for the creative writing program and explained that the library and subcommittee are exploring options for a fall writing program. Commissioner Souter explained that the program would be a joint effort with the Arts Commission, the Metropolis Performing Arts Centre and the Arlington Memorial Library.

CULTURAL ARTS EVENT LISTING

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there are any comments regarding the Cultural Arts Listing. The Commission thanked Commissioner Higgins-Thrash for her work on the project.

IDEA AND PROGRAM LIST

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there are any updates on the idea and program list. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested that 'artist studio walk' be removed.

MARKETING UPDATE

Commissioner DeLaney commented that there is no update at this time.

ARTS COMMISSION BROCHURE AND BANNER

Commissioner Higgins-Thrash shared a draft of the updated Commission banners. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that staff has reviewed the banners and is recommending that the picture of the statues located at the library be replaced with a picture of a sculpture that was an Arts Commission project. The Commission discussed ideas for a replacement image. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested that staff find an alternate photo. Staff Liaison Derek Mach shared options for a replacement picture. The Commission felt that the options that staff shared would not work. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano volunteered to take a picture of the 'Friends' sculpture. The Commission agreed that a picture of the friends sculpture might work well.

The Commission discussed having one banner instead of two banners. The Commission felt that two banners helped accomplish the goal of conveying information about the Arts Commission. The Commission discussed finalizing the banners at the May Arts Commission meeting.

DECORATED OBJECT COMPETITION

The Commission discussed ideas for the July 3 'Decorated Object Competition'. Commissioner Schurtz suggested flower pots or bricks. Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that flower pots would work well. Commissioner DeLaney agreed. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash suggested bird feeders.

COMMISSIONER SOUTER MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHURTZ, TO MOVE FORWARD WITH FLOWER POTS AS THE OBJECT FOR THE 2017 'DECORATE AN OBJECT COMPETITION'. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano and Commissioner Schurtz volunteered to each decorate a pot to help promote the event.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The Commission reviewed the six submittals for the Photography Competition.

COMMISSIONER DELANEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHURTZ, TO SELECT 'HEART OF DOWNTOWN' A PICTURE OF HARMONY PARK AS THE WINNER OF THE 2016 PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION WINNER. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED

The Commission discussed the presentation of the announcement of the winner. Commissioner DeLaney volunteered to present the winner. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash volunteered to be an alternate presenter if needed.

FALL 2017 ART OUTREACH EVENT

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano suggested that the Commission discuss ideas for the 2017 fall outreach event. Commissioner DeLaney suggested a program with the library similar to last fall's event. Commissioner Souter volunteered to work with Commissioner DeLaney on the fall outreach event.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano asked if there is any new business? Arts Chair Seitz-Pagano commented that Mr. Farchione had an idea that he would like to share with the Commission. Mr. Farchione explained that Paupers Art Guild is spearheading a march for art on June 14. Mr. Farchione explained that they are reaching out to the Arlington Heights Memorial Library, Monart Drawing Studio,

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Northlight Art Studio, Thrown Elements Pottery, The Arlington Heights Poetry Project and the Arts Commission as well as individual artists and studios in the area. Mr. Farchione explained that they have also reached out to the Illinois Art Alliance and the Illinois Arts Council to have a presence in order to show support for the arts. Mr. Farchione also explained that they plan to reach out to the Northwest Cultural Council, and the Metropolis Performing Arts Centre for support. Mr. Farchione explained that they plan to congregate at Paupers Art Guild at approximately 3:00 pm and begin a march towards the Downtown at around 4:00 pm. Mr. Farchione commented that the route will be along the pedestrian right of way on Northwest Highway and the procession will be a "Human Art Float." Mr. Farchione explained that there will be art activities, poetry readings and drawing taking place for all ages and skill levels. Commissioner Higgins-Thrash asked if there will be any political overtones. Mr. Farchione explained that there will not be any political overtones. Mr. Farchione thanked the Commission for their time and consideration.

Commissioner Seitz-Pagano commented that she supportive of the arts but expressed concern that the event is potentially political. Commissioner Higgin-Thrash explained that there is no way to prevent someone turning the event into a political platform. Commissioner Seitz-Pagano commented that the Commission could not help financially. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that staff would like to discuss if the Commission is interested in participating. Arts Chair Seitz commented that the Commissioners could participate as citizens. The Commission agreed that they are not interested in participating as a Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER SCHURTZ MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DELANEY, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:50 P.M. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.