

Village of Flossmoor
Public Art Commission
Committee Room
MINUTES

January 9, 2023

This Meeting was also made available over zoom.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

II. Roll Call

*Present: Commissioners Stevenson, Burrows, Lawrence, Cheney,
Absent: Commissioners Miller, O'Brien, Gordon*

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

none

IV. Approval of December 12, 2022 minutes *Commissioner Burrows called for a motion to accept the minutes, and Commissioner Cheney so moved. Commissioner Lawrence seconded. Motion passes by roll call.*

V. Strategic Plan:

Commissioner Stevenson suggested the commission review the layout of the agenda. Is it organized and categorized in the best way to suit the commission? The commission settled on a more fluid agenda style. They will determine on a monthly basis the order of the agenda. The commission discussed creating a social media calendar. They have asked Stephanie for a 2023 event calendar. The commission would like to consider looking for ways to layer themselves into more Village events. Commissioner Burrows brought up the topic of volunteers. She feels volunteers would help with brand recognition. The volunteers could be ambassadors for the commission. Commissioner Stevenson mentioned the possibility of advertising in the CGN 2023 fine arts guide. Commissioner Burrows will seek information about this. The commission also discussed a continued interest in working to develop a curriculum surrounding the sculpture collection. Stephanie to explore this with SD161.

VI. Flossmoor Public Art

a. *Permanent Collection*

-conservation: Minions: Commissioner Stevenson spoke with his contact who works in restoration and preservation. His contact will put together an estimate for the base of the piece Minions.

Permanent Collection:

-The Commission discussed the piece by Gunnar Theel titled Structure #9 that didn't pass Village board approval.

b. *Rotational Program*

-Commissioner Stevenson shared that he spoke to Terry Karpowitz. Terry is open to discussing possibilities for his pieces in Ballantrae. When the time is appropriate Stephanie will let the artist know the two options as follows:

- 1. the pieces could continue to reside in place—he does not need to rush to remove them.*
- 2. extend the contract, which would require either addressing the maintenance needed on the current sculptures, or replacing them with alternate sculptures (that would need to go through approval).*

c. Other Public Art: Commissioner Lawrence brought up the idea of featuring an Art on the Mart style installation. She thinks this would work well paired with the high school and their photography class.

d. Commissioner Cheney updated 5 of the 9 pieces for the website.

e. Otocast: Explore with the rep if it is possible to swap out images at low to no cost.

VIII. Fundraising Projects

a. Water Bill: none

b. Marketing: none

c. 2023 Fundraising ideas: Commissioner Lawrence brought forward several ideas for fundraising. The commission really liked the idea of having local artists create birdbaths and/or planters to auction. Stephanie to reach out to local artist Brooke King LaBreck to see if she would consider painting a piece. Stephanie brought up the idea of a possible t-shirt sale where the proceeds would benefit the sculpture collection.

IX. Old Business

a. Walking Path: none

b. Brick and Bench Updates: there were no updates to the brick and bench sales

c. Other: Commissioner Burrows brought up the topic of the available service projects for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day of Service. While the commission isn't hosting their own project, they will plug themselves in to existing projects.

X. New Business

a. none

XI. Adjournment: Commissioner Burrows called for a motion to close the meeting. Commissioner Lawrence so moved and Commissioner Cheney seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm.

Next Meeting: February 13, 2023

