

**Village of Flossmoor
Public Art Commission
Committee Room
MINUTES
June 12, 2023**

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Stevenson, Burrows, Cheney, O'Brien, Lawrence

Absent: Commissioner McCarthy, Gordon

III. Welcome Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

none

IV. Approval of May 8, 2023, minutes Commissioner Burrows called for a motion to accept the minutes.

Commissioner O'Brien brought the motion. Commissioner Cheney second. Motion passed by roll call vote.

V. Flossmoor Public Art

a. *Permanent Collection: Stephanie will try to reach out again to the artist of the piece Marmeg to enter into a conversation about the ownership of the piece. Stephanie to also explore the final outcome of Tristan Shaw being permitted to repair Minions.*

b. *Rotational Program: Stephanie mentioned the budgeted amount the commission has available to spend on the rotational collection. Stephanie informed the commission that after bringing Sans Titre Ref 366 and Paradise into the rotational collection, they would have spent down available funds for rotational pieces to 10k.*

Vice Chairperson Stevenson shared that the pace of applications hasn't always been so active. Stevenson feels we should seize the moment and move forward when opportunities present themselves, particularly when pieces are of the quality the commission desires.

The commission re-confirmed that Nancy will present Paradise by Hubert Phipps at the next board meeting, as voted on at the May Commission meeting. Stephanie informed the commission that Terry Karpowicz would retrieve his two pieces from Ballantrae when his schedule allowed.

The commission would like Stephanie to explore if they can vote as a commission to recommend focusing the sculpture garden within the 'triangle' of the sculpture park, much like the footprint of the walking path the commission drew up last year.

In a discussion of other sculptors to consider, Barry Tinsley has several pieces made of steel and granite. While he hasn't officially applied, Vice Chairperson Stevenson wanted it mentioned. Other artists that had not applied but were discussed include Hebru Brantley and Scott Gerber, a sculptor suggested by Commissioner Gordon, whose heart-shaped piece might provide a 'selfie' moment. Vice Chairperson Stevenson reminded the commission that they have created a collection of important art, and we must respect

the other pieces within the collection. Commissioner Lawrence suggested reaching out to the community to see if they know sculptors or artists.

VI. Fundraising Projects:

The commission discussed various fundraising ideas, from t-shirts, patron circles, the water bill, and raffles. The commissioners agreed they must actively work on items to raffle off at Chamber night or the fest. This will be discussed further at the June meeting. Stephanie will look into the logistics and possibility of a raffle at these events.

VIII. Old Business

- a. *Brick and Bench Update: We have a new brick vendor with color and style that matches the current bricks. Stephanie also shared that the commission could place a message on the next water bill after this cycle.*
- b. *Curriculum for schools: Stephanie believes a field trip will be coordinated in August.*

IX. New Business

- a. *Walking tour: the date has been set for June 28th from 6-7 pm. The commission divided the pieces among themselves.*
- b. *America in Bloom: Any interested commissioners should meet Stephanie at Intersections II at 10 am on July 6.*
- c. *100th anniversary: as information becomes available, Stephanie will share it with the larger group.*
- d. *Chairperson Burrows handed out the results of a survey she had given to the commission.*

XI. Adjournment: *Commissioner Burrows called for a motion to close the meeting. Commissioner Cheney so moved, and Commissioner Lawrence seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.*

Next Meeting: July 10, 2023