

VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE
Libertyville Arts Commission

Minutes
January 17, 2022

A meeting of the Libertyville Arts Commission was held on January 17, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. virtually, via GoToMeeting. Those in attendance included Commission Members: Chairperson Amy Williams, Glen Moss, Beth McKenna, Terry Bangs, Jerry Thompson and Elise Steffe. Also in attendance was Deputy Village Administrator Ashley Engelmann.

Roll Call

On Roll Call the meeting was called to order:

AYES: Williams, Moss, McKenna, Steffe, Thompson, Bangs

NAYS: None

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Member Thompson moved to approve the minutes; Member Moss seconded the motion.

The motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Williams, Moss, McKenna, Steffe, Thompson, Bangs

NAYS: None

Public Art Proposal Call for Projects

Deputy Administrator Engelmann gave an overview of the Village's public art proposal process. She reported that in previous fiscal years the Village would budget \$10,000 specifically for a public mural project. Eventually a community moveable mural project was completed during the Arts Festival. Following the initial mural, a second year was completed. Most recently a permanent mural was installed in the parking garage near Mickey Finns. The current fiscal year also has \$10,000 available.

In May, the Commission discussed an application and guidelines that could be used for a call for projects. The Commission discussed limited guidelines. This was further discussed with the Village Attorney and Village Administrator. Some additional ideas have been discussed regarding a public art project to narrow the scope further. The concept of using the Village's parks for public art was explored. Staff presented the concept of benches in the park or some other identified structure that could be decorated based on a theme and then placed within the parks. Discussion ensued. It was determined that staff should explore the idea of peace poles. These could be purchased and painted by members of the community or businesses and placed throughout the parks. Staff will review costs, installation process, potential locations, etc. and return to the Commission with further details on a peace pole program.

The group revisited the discussion on a call for projects for public art. The idea was presented that we could reach out to local art-type businesses and see what type of projects they propose and call it Art in the Park on specific dates. Discussion ensued. It was determined that staff would look into this further as an option, to include stipend amounts and present follow-up information at a future meeting.

Adjournment

At 3:05 p.m. Chair Williams moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Moss seconded the motion.

The motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Williams, Moss, McKenna, Steffe, Thompson, Bangs

NAYS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Engelmann
Deputy Village Administrator