

**VILLAGE OF FLOSSMOOR  
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION**

**Village Hall Committee Room**

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**Monday, January 14, 2019**

**7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

I. Call to Order

Chairman Nancy Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Burrows, Commissioners Lorsch, Hobson, Lombardi, and Gordon

Absent: Commissioners Cheney and Stevenson

Staff: Laura Brennan-Levy, Program and Event Coordinator

III. Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission

No citizens present.

IV. Approval of the October 8, 2018 Minutes

Chairman Burrows called for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 8, 2018.

Motion: Commissioner Lorsch

Second: Commission Lombardi

Motion passed by a voice vote.

V. Discussion of Rotational Sculpture Program

a) Niemi Installation

The Niemi sculpture was approved by the Board at the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting, and installed on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners Gordon and Burrows were present, along with one of the anonymous donors. Two \$1,500 donations to the Flossmoor Public Art Program were received from anonymous donors. Good story for spring newsletter.

b) Kaiulani Sculptures Board Approval

Two Kaiulani Sculptures were approved by the Board at the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting, to be located at Flossmoor Hills School and Flossmoor Park. From the minutes of the Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Board meeting: *There was discussion on the downtown area and other areas around the community welcoming the art. Mayor Braun asked that there be consideration to place a piece within the Ballantrae subdivision. Ms. Gordon from the Art Commission indicated that disbursing art to areas away from major traffic areas such as the walkable space downtown could limit exposure and may not allow the art to be seen when placed outside of that area. However, she is in support to positioning art throughout the community should that be desired.*

c) Sculpture Installation Plans

-“Yellow Flat Line” will be installed at Flossmoor Hills School. Laura will work on agreement with School District 161, and work with Flossmoor Public Works Department on pouring a sculpture pad. Laura contacted Kaiulani, and agent Tata Fernandez about approval, and set a tentative installation date of March 28, 2019. Laura and Nancy scouted location sites, and recommended the grass area in front of the school (NW corner of Beech and Elm), not blocking the school sign.

-“Red Cross-Lines” will be installed on the existing sculpture pad in front of Park Place in Flossmoor Park. This will require moving “Crossings #5”.

Motion: Commissioner Gordon made a motion to move “Crossing #5” to the east side of the library.

Second: Commissioner Lombardi

The motion passed by a voice vote.

AYES: Chairman Burrows, Commissioners Lorsch, Hobson, Lombardi, and Gordon

ABSENT: Commissioners Cheney and Stevenson

ABSTAIN: None

NAYS: None

Laura will check with artist, Public Works, and the Flossmoor Library to arrange relocation.

d) Artist Submissions

Sam Spiczka’s Orion and submissions from two other artists were reviewed. Laura will also reach out to artist Hilde Debruyne again. A discussion ensued regarding placement of sculptures throughout the community, and specifically in Ballantrae. Commissioner Gordon expressed her desire to keep the collection within a walkable area, while others acknowledged the expansion of the neighborhoods within Flossmoor and the goal of connecting the community through public art. The commission discussed options for a rotational exhibit sculpture in Ballantrae, including a new loaned piece, moving an existing piece, or reaching out to Homewood-Flossmoor High School for a sculpture loan. Laura shared some pictures of Ballantrae Park for possible placement sites.

VI. Fundraiser October 19th, 2019

The commission discussed a fundraising campaign with a goal of \$10 per Flossmoor household, to be raised through the existing water bill and brick programs, and an auction of “House” themed planters designed by local artists, businesses, organizations, and residents. Suggested slogan is “Home is Where the Art Is”. The campaign would kick off in June, and the auction would conclude at Flossmoor Fest on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Lombardi will research planter container, and other “house” themed items. Laura will bring information on the on-line auction company previewed by the commission last year, and feedback from the South Suburban Humane Society on the 2018 Dogs on Parade fundraiser.

Motion: Commissioner Gordon made a motion to plan a Flossmoor Public Art Fundraiser from June to September, 2019 to include a house themed planter auction which will conclude on Flossmoor Fest, September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Second: Commissioner Lombardi

The motion passed by a voice vote.

AYES: Chairman Burrows, Commissioners Lorsch, Lombardi, and Gordon

ABSENT: Commissioners Cheney, Hobson, and Stevenson

ABSTAIN: None

NAYS: None

VII. Sculpture Maintenance plan  
No discussion.

- a) Kalish – Survivor Sculpture Maintenance Recommendations
- b) Sculpture Identification Plaques
- c) Bronze Sculptures Cleaning

IX. Viaduct Mural  
No discussion.

X. New Business

a) Discussion of Intent and Mission of Public Art Program

b) 2019 Meeting Schedule and Attendance

Laura shared the 2019 Public Art Commission Meeting Schedule again, and asked commissioners to confirm meeting attendance by the Friday before each meeting to ensure a quorum.

The spring 2019 Flossmoor Newsletter will go to all residents on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Amy Kent, the Communications Manager, will include commission updates. Charlene suggested highlighting the generous donation for the Niemi sculpture loan, and the fundraiser.

Commissioner Lombardi expressed the concern about the condition of the menorah placed in Flossmoor Park, and suggested the Art Commission help obtain a more visually pleasing one.

XI. Adjournment

Chairman Burrows called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Lombardi

Second: Commissioner Gordon

The motion passed by a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.