

VILLAGE OF FLOSSMOOR PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

Village Hall/Zoom Meeting

June 14, 2021

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order
Chairman Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
- II. Roll Call
Present: Chairman Burrows, Commissioners Stevenson, Cheney, Lombardi, Lawrence, Gordon
Absent: Commissioner Hobson
Also present: Mayor Nelson, Assistant Village Manager Allison Matson
- III. Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Commission
None
- IV. Approval of the May 10, 2021 Minutes
Chairman Burrows called for a motion to approve the minutes of May 10, 2021. Motion: Cheney. Second: Stevenson. Motion passed by a voice vote.
- V. Public Art Commission Proposed Guidelines Review
Chairman Burrows and Allison will do one more review of the language. Any changes should be emailed to them by 6/21.
- VI. Village Events
The Commission discussed upcoming special events including the Hidden Gem and Flossmoor Fest. The commission will firm up the plan for Art Commission participation in July. The commission will be selling a souvenir poster. Items to discuss include how to take advantage of Otocast and how to draw attention to the sculptures along the route. Commissioner Lombardi suggested an I Spy type of game. Commissioner Lawrence will help Fest attendees with bidding on barrels; we need at least one more helper. Chamber night on August 18 will provide another opportunity to “push” barrels and flags.
- VII. Fundraising Projects
 - A. Bricks of Love Campaign Results- letters to donors and installation updates
Allison provided ~~with~~ Commission with the updated spreadsheet. The program raised \$4,130. Commissioners shared that the lack of online payment system is a deterrent. Allison said that she agrees; she plans to bring a proposal forward to the Finance Department, but the timing for implementation is not good because of a software implementation and upcoming retirement. Commissioner Gordon suggested we promote the program around the time of graduations. Each year commission could come up with one time to really motivate purchase of bricks. Encourage purchasers of bricks to send a selfie.
 - B. Barrels of Hope Fundraising Auction – Commission Tasks
 1. Update on submission of barrels and fee collection – Pickup is being scheduled. The checks for the entry fee are trickling in. Commissioner Cheney will work on the souvenir poster and a promotional

poster and postcard. Commissioner Lawrence will work on the instruction form when the auction is ready. Commissioners should try to recruit for other auction items. The goal is to raise \$8,000 with the idea that it would fund one rotational sculptures, education efforts and one maintenance item for an existing sculpture . The commission discussed creating a one-page informational flier on the commission and what it costs to have a program. Allison will look into having bricks as an auction item. The remaining flags will also be part of the auction. Staff will work on a press release and promotions.

VIII. Rotational Program

- A. Survivor Maintenance Plan: status, pictures – Allison contacted Oakley and is continuing to follow up.
- B. Ribbon Repair – Commissioner Stevenson contacted a sculptor who is going to sandblast the graffiti. The sculpture will return to its current look over time.
- C. Me and My Shadow Maintenance – Commissioner Stevenson will ask the same sculptor to review Me and My Shadow.
- D. Artist Application(s) to review –
Verbeek: The Commission would like to follow up with him to find dimensions of the larger scale sculpture. He is willing to give two sculptures for \$4,000 for three years. Allison will follow up.
Debruyne: Commissioners Gordon and Stevenson will scout locations. Allison will follow up with the sculptor on a contract and prepare the Village Board agenda item. Commissioner Stevenson made a motion to accept the sculpture by Hilde Debruyne. Second: Commissioner Burrows. Motion passed by a roll call vote.
Allison will follow up with Robert Oakley on La Trinidad and Charles Strain.

IX. Old Business

- a. Sculpture Collection Promotional Postcard – No new discussion
- b. Commission Guidelines – Previously covered
- c. Leavitt Park – Allison will continue to keep the commission in the loop if the Park District moves forward

X. New Business

- A. Flossmoor 100th Anniversary preliminary discussion – No new discussion
- B. Flossmoor Fest- Preliminary discussion: Commissioner Stevenson has major fundraiser at GSU that evening and will be unable to participate in Flossmoor Fest.

XI. Adjournment

Chairman Burrows called for a motion to adjourn: Motion: Gordon. Second: Lombardi. Motion passed by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.