

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821
June 18, 2024
Betsy Kelly, Clerk

7:03 p.m. Regular meeting called to order by Chairperson Gnass.

Roll call Present: Allen, Gnass, Hadlock, Novasel, Wilber
Absent: Pohl, Thornton

Also present: Betsy Kelly, Interim Village Manager; Denise Parisian, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Novasel, second Hadlock, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public Session

No comments were received.

Business Session

Motion by Novasel, second Allen, to approve the February 20, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Gnass introduced the bridge planter upgrade for member consideration. Discussion followed regarding style for replacement planters. Allen and Wilber will research options.
2. Gnass will order the art exchange box.
3. Hadlock will follow up with the Dorothy Hull Library regarding chalk art.
4. Gnass will have information at the July meeting regarding recent grant submission status. Other grant opportunities discussed: T-Mobile due by June 30, 2024 and MACC due by July 24, 2024. Allen and Hadlock will work on the MACC grant for possible submission.

New Business Section

1. Gnass suggested seeking preliminary permission from the Dimondale Village Council for the Story Tellers and Island Jam events in September/October. Motion by Gnass, second Hadlock, to request preliminary approval for the Story Tellers event in September/October 2024. Motion carried. Parisian proposed a gazebo ribbon cutting ceremony during the Island Jam event. Motion by Hadlock, second Novasel, to request preliminary permission for Island Jam 2024 in September, similar to previous events and add the gazebo dedication. Motion carried.
2. Gnass presented the Meetings Proceedings Resolution. Discussion followed regarding changing the meeting date to the fourth Tuesday of the month and providing for clerical edits. Motion by Gnass, second Novasel, to approve the resolution as amended. Motion carried. (Copy attached.)
3. Gnass presented a citizen involvement application from Eric De luliis for one of the Arts Commission vacancies. Motion by Hadlock, second Wilber, to forward a recommendation to the Village Council to appoint Eric De luliis to the Arts Commission for a three-year term. Motion carried.
4. The commissioners discussed a planning schedule to present to the Village Council.
5. Gnass introduced the mural RFQ applications. The group reviewed the submissions and conducted a rank choice voting to narrow the field down to three artists. Motion by Wilber, second Gnass, to forward a recommendation to the Village Council to work with Mathew Sharum, Dustin Hunt and Jazzmyn Benitez on official proposals for the mural. Motion carried.

Gnass adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.