

**MINUTES OF DIMONDALE ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821

August 16, 2021

James P. Gallagher, Clerk

7:01 p.m. Regular meeting called to order by Vice Chairperson Viele.

Roll call Present: Conn, Gnass (arrived at 7:04 p.m.), Novasel, Pohl, Swart, Viele
Absent: McMahon

Also present: James Gallagher, Village Manager and Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Swart, second Novasel, to approve the August 16, 2021 agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

Public Session

Michelle Tellier addressed the group regarding formation and purpose.

Business Session

1. Motion by Swart, second Conn, to approve the July 19, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion carried. Viele turned the meeting over to Gnass.
2. Gnass stated that the RFQ has been published and he will follow up with the director of the Arts Council of Greater Lansing while Conn and Pohl reach out to MSU and LCC for additional coverage.
3. Gnass solicited member input on future art work and funding opportunities. Discussion followed regarding half-canoes and/or full kayaks placed around the Village to be embellished by sponsors (spring 2022); creating decorative outer shells to surround the flower boxes on the bridge (spring 2022); colorfully painting the school crosswalks at Walnut and Oak with the help of elementary students (fall 2021); and murals on the downtown buildings. Pohl and Gnass will reach out to Ozay Moore for possible attendance at the next meeting and Conn will contact the Dimondale Elementary Principal regarding student participation for crosswalks.
4. The Commissioners discussed use of the website and content.
5. Gnass noted the resignation of McMahon and the group agreed on a plan to fill the vacancy.

With no additional business, Gnass adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

