

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821
July 18, 2023
Denis S. Prisk Jr., Clerk

7:00 p.m. Regular meeting called to order.

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

Also present: Denis Prisk, Village Manager

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Gnass, second Hadlock to approve the agenda with addition of item 4 – Mural Project. Motion carried.

Public Session

None

Business Session

1. Motion by Pohl, second Gnass to approve the minutes from the June 20th meeting with corrections to the spelling of Wilber.
2. Gnass discussed the Vacancy for a 3-year term. Prisk will advertise the Community Volunteer Application for 14 days. Prisk will clarify the selection process to the Commission.
3. Wilber reported that Nathan Fox, from Foxscapes, with donated material and labor, will install the approved landscaping at the Bridge Between Banks art installation on Tuesday, July 25, 2023.
4. Prisk read the draft minutes from the July 10th, 2023 Regular Meeting of Village Council regarding postponing the Art Exchange Box until next year. Those minutes also identified the need to establish a specific process for tasking the Arts Commission. A meeting will be scheduled in the coming months. Discussion occurred as the Commission processed this information.
5. Gnass discussed the Island Jam 2023. Prisk reported that the Special Event was approved by Village Council on July 10, 2023. Gnass confirmed that one food truck would be sought. Pohl reached out to the preferred band and is awaiting further contact. Pohl will connect them with Prisk for contracting with the Village. Hadlock asked for specific taskers and discussion occurred. Prisk reported construction of Gazebo at that same time with need to relocate stage.
6. Prisk reported that the Storyteller (Fish Tales) Special Event will be presented to Village Council in August.
7. Gnass reported the Chalk Art would be supportive of the Dorothy Hull Library “Chalk Cheer Up” program July 25-28th. Discussion occurred on involvement and contacting the library.
8. The Annual appointment of Officers occurred at this meeting. Pohl motioned to appoint Gnass as Chair, second Hadlock. Motion passed. Thornton motioned to appoint Pohl as Vice Chair, second Hadlock. Motion passed.
9. Gnass reported his involvement with Moneyball fund raising opportunity. He invited all commissioners to volunteer during this event to raise funds toward the Island Jam 2023. \$500 -\$600 could be expected to be raised.
10. Prisk reported that he commissioned a stake for The River (runs through us) art installation and that the DPW has installed it on July 18, 2023. Prisk provided a picture for the members to review. The commission thanked him for completing that task.

11. A community mural project was introduced by Gnass. Discussion occurred on where to place the "paint by numbers" mural where community members could participate. Further discussion occurred on the concept and donation of supplies. Gnass asked that ideas for the Request for Qualification (RFQ) be brought to the August 23, 2023 meeting.

Recommendations:

None.

With no additional business, Gnass adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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