



**Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2022**

Commission Members Present: Amy Cook, Kent Gallagher, Kevin Heckman, Doug Holzrichter, Jan Schmuckal, Tim Vetang

Commission Members Absent: Dana Teichart

Also in Attendance: Cate Tracy, City of Geneva; Gail Gaboda

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Vetang called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
2. **Amendments to Agenda:** Agenda stood as presented
3. **Approve Minutes** – Schmuckal motioned, Gallagher seconded that the May 5 2022 minutes be approved. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Review Financial Reports - Holzrichter**
 - Fund Equity Balance \$30,617.06.
 - There were no transactions in May and so no report was prepared
 - Cost of storage is going up from \$162 to \$185 starting in April
5. **Summer Shakespeare update – Gaboda**
 - The date of the play has been moved to 7/30, the weekend after the Art Fair to better enable marketing
 - The play will be *The Tempest* and the set up should be similar to last year
 - Mayor has agreed to MC
 - Heckman has agreed to do the Arts Council announcement
 - We will repeat the contests from last year
 - Volunteers are still needed
 - Handing out fliers at Swedish Day Parade (6/26 starting at 12pm)
 - Handing out programs on day of the event
6. **Writing Contest Update - Cook**
 - A reception was held on May 11, 6pm, at City Hall for the winners, parents, and interested parties.
 - All six winners were present and two of three judges
 - There was a nice turnout, filling the room. The event went quite well.
7. **Commission Vacancy – Vetang**
 - We now have four submissions

- Vetang will share resumes and applications out to review
 - Reminder: Please do not share this information outside of the Commission
- Please hold potential interview dates: 6/14, 6/16, 6/28 or 6/30
- We will start sometime after 5:30pm
- Interviews will take place on the upper floor of City Hall with the library as a back up location

8. Reports

- **Bus Stop Art – Schmuckal**
 - No report
- **Arts Center Update – Holzrichter**
 - Current exhibit is American Roulette, which offers provocative artwork influenced by gun culture and violence
 - There will be a community blood drive this Sunday (6/4)
 - Art Ramble will be 6/11
 - Just completed Partner in the Arts, a business sponsorship initiative, which went well
 - There will be a strategic planning retreat for the board on 6/11
 - Gallery hours are limited at the moment. Check the website for details.
- **Art on Fire – Tracy**
 - There are two applications so far, one of which has started painting the hydrant by the library playground
 - Some existing artwork has started to fade and/or chip. Tracy asked for suggestions on how to handle that.
 - After discussion, the prevailing preference was to give the artist an opportunity to freshen their work. If not, then Public Works should remove and repaint the hydrant, which could then be assigned again in a future wave of applications
 - Relevant city departments will discuss the best path forward and Tracy will share the Commission's thoughts.
- **River Park Summer Concert Series – Teichart (Tracy reporting)**
 - No new news
 - Working on a press release with the city, updating website and finalizing contracts
- **Fine Art Show Booth – Vetang**
 - No change. Waiting on notification of booth location
- **Chalk Art Idea – Heckman**
 - Still trying to reach Shodeen representative to finalize location
 - Heckman has been in touch with someone from St. Charles event to get suggestions on artists and inform planning for the event.
 - Heckman moved the commission approve \$2,000 maximum to pay artists and \$500 maximum for other costs. Schmuckal seconded.
 - Motion passed unanimously

- **Steeple Walk** – Gallagher
 - No report
- **Commissioner Comments and Ideas**
 - None

9. Public Comments

- None.

10. Adjourn

- Gallagher moved to Adjourn, Schmuckal seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Heckman

Next Meetings –

July 7, 2022
August 7, 2022
September 1, 2022
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