



Minutes
CITY OF YPSILANTI
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, December 8, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
One South Huron, Ypsilanti, MI 48197

I. CALL TO ORDER (7:05pm)

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Seagraves, Settles, McAtee, Thompson, Wolfe

Absent: Settles (excused)

Staff: Elize Jakobson

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner McAtee. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Yes - 4; No- 0; Absent- 1;

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Seagraves moved, seconded by Commissioner Wolfe to approve the minutes. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Yes - 4; No- 0; Absent- 1;

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE

Jen Eastridge - Owner of Gallery above Stone & Spoon

Liz Warren- New Director of Riverside Arts Center

Megan Foldenaur- Owner of Ypsi Art Supply, opening April 2023

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2023 Meeting Calendar 2023 Meeting Calendar

Amend to 6:30pm instead of 7pm.

Motion to approve the 2023 Meeting Calendar as amended.

On a voice vote, the motion carried. Yes - 4; No- 0; Absent- 1;

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Artist Survey Update

The survey was not updated. Commissioner Seagraves will bring it back next month.

Staff informed the commission that the grant has been recieved by the city.

Commissioner Wolfe discussed translation services for the survey.

B. Poet Laureate Discussion

Commissioner Thompson has had discussions with Ciatta and Molly about the program. They will be attending an upcoming meeting.

The commission discussed the budget overview.

VIII. UPDATES

A. Arts/Events around Ypsilanti B

Craft holiday sales at the Freighthouse, including Krampusmrkt.

First Fridays had a lot of great art exhibitions in December.

Embracing our differences still has a call for artists out.

Bicentennial ball drop on New Years Eve on S. Washington. 7pm for kids ball drop. Midnight ball drop for adults.

IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE

Jen Eastridge - Offered partnership with Poet Laureate program with planned monthly poetry night at the gallery. Offered to feature the poet laureate for a First Fridays event. Offered a pre-ball drop party at Unicorn Feed and Supply for kids on Dec. 31st. She has an exhibition for Lauren Magda coming up.

Call for artists- Queer show June/July, and monumental show (under 2 inch art)

Liz Warren- Growing Hope has had a lot of translations done, suggests we reach out to them for translation service recommendations. Town Hall at RAC- First three Thursdays of February.

Megan Foldenaur- Ypsi Art Supply will be opening in RAC, April 2023 on First Friday.

X. PROPOSED BUSINESS - budget, year review.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE - January 12, 2023

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:06pm by Commissioner Wolfe, and supported by Commissioner Seagraves.

On a voice vote, the motion carried. Yes - 4; No- 0; Absent - 1;