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Meeting Minutes

Vienna Public Art Commission

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

7:00 PM

Vienna Community Center, 120 Center St. SE

1 Roll Call

Mike Cheselka, Midge Biles, Michelle Kang, Chloe Dehn, Lu Cousins, Maureen Barrett, VPAC Clerk via phone: Kathy Blevins, guest: Deborah Kennedy-VPAC President

Meeting commenced at 7:08 p.m

2. Approval of the Minutes:

[VPAC24-418](#) Approve minutes from the June 18, 2024 meeting

June 18, 2024 minutes passed as written

[VPAC24-419](#) Chairman's report

Guest from Vienna Public Art Foundation

Ms. Kennedy reported on upcoming fundraising

-Approximate \$5,000 donation to the VPAC

-VPAC tent at Vienna Farmer's Market

-VPAC will purchase insurance (approx. \$1,000 per year). Once insured, the MOU between VPAC and VPAC can be completed.

-VPAC will work with Parks and Recreation to secure grant(s) for VCC mural

-Possible artist for Cherry St. wall

-Silver plated "V" logo for HVI "A Town that Talks" project needs to be approved by VPAC

-Possible 2025 Navy Federal Credit Union partnership on public art at their Vienna campus

Mr. Cheselka reported the July 8 Council work session went well. Council members liked both images. Some members would like to see some changes to the "Vienna Icons" artwork (replace church image and show diverse images of people). The "Colorful Tree" image will be used on the VCC field house wall. An alternate location will be found for the "Vienna Icons" artwork.

Mr. Cheselka presented a 3-D living wall mural for the Cherry St. wall. Mosaic art was also suggested. Ms. Cousins will reach out to a mosaic artist.

3. Regular Business

[VPAC24-420](#) Call for artists

Ms. Cousins reported she has not received any responses. May need to change the wording in the Call for Artist document.

[VPAC24-421](#) Shirts for VPAC

Ms. Dehn passed out t-shirts to the VPAC members. Ms. Dehn will provide the invoice for the shirts to Mr. Cheselka for payment

[VPAC24-422](#) K.J. invite to meeting

Ms. Cousins reported KJ with the New York School of Arts in Vienna will be invited to attend the September VPAC meeting.

[VPAC24-423](#) Harmony Garden ribbon cutting and signage

Mr. Cheselka reported the event went well, and was attended by the Mayor, a couple of Council members. Leslie Herman and children. For signage he suggested a 6X24 metal sign to be placed on the existing pavers.

[VPAC24-424](#) Community Center mural funding update

Mr. Cheselka reported VPAC and Parks and Recreation will partner to secure grants to fund the VCC indoor mural.

[VPAC24-425](#) Elect Chair and co-Chair for coming year

Ms. Cousins made a motion to re-elect Mike Cheselka as VPAC Chair for the ensuing year. Mr. Cheselka accepted the nomination. Ms. Kang seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Kang made a motion to re-elect Midge Biles as VPAC Vice Chair for the ensuing year. Ms. Biles accepted the nomination. Ms. Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Ms. Cousins made a motion to approve the silver plated "V" logo design as presented for the HVI project. Ms. Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Cheselka suggested not allowing the LOVE sign to be decorated by groups because the clean up of the letters is too difficult. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting

4. Meeting Adjournment

Ms. Kang made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment at 8:38 p.m.

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