

Meeting of the Hoffman Estates Arts Commission

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm. Those in attendance were Chairman Pilafas, Commissioners Anand, Hojnacki, Morrison, Pye, Stegall, Village Liaison Kramer, and Park District Liaison Schultz. Those absent were Commissioners Ahmed, Kalopsis, and Trustee Pilafas.

II. Approval of January 23, 2024 minutes.

Motion to approved the minutes of January 23, 2024 by Commissioner Morrison seconded by Commissioner Pye. Motion carried.

III. Public Comments - None

IV. Oh Freedom - Report

Chris Vallilo had an amazing presentation including the use of the Hoffman Estates High School Choir. 40 people were in attendance and were impressed with the guitar skills, variety, and historical content. Cable TV present to record. Chris will be in the area May 24 with Roselle Historical Society another show. Very engaging presentation with audience participation.

V. String Art - One person registered so the event was cancelled. EventBrite has changed it so it is no longer free. And event, you only get 25 people, or pay for a subscription. Now for free events, we will use another system.

VI. Summer Concerts

The summer concerts line up for 2024 was presented including diverse genres of music. Portolets will be ordered by the Hideaway. No intermissions will be held. Increased lighting needs to be secured for the later concerts. PR/Citizen article will run in June with entire concert schedule. Village will create slides for Park District Marquee signs.

Motion to secure HiFi for sound and lighting services for the ten concerts and children's theater for the amount of \$16,500 noting additional sound may be secured for concerts in the second half of the year by Commissioner Stegall seconded by Commissioner Morrison. Motion carried.

VII. Fun Days in the Park

Liaison Schultz presented the children's events. She will try to reschedule the Seascape event on June 26th to avoid a scheduling overlap.

VIII. Architectural Boat Tour

The park district is sponsoring a tour Tuesday, April 30th from 10 am -5:30 pm. Registration is through the park district portal.

IX. Gallery

Hoffman Estates High School has a wonderful photography exhibit which will be followed by a display from the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities.

X. Children's Theater

HOTT Productions will sponsor Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory on June 26 at the Village Green. HiFi will supply sound for the event.

XI. Old Business

Photography Workshop

25 registrations were received but only 4 people in attendance. Suggestions of charging for the event and adjusting to a later time were voiced. Another workshop will be held in November.

String Art

Consideration of demonstrations of string art or a rerun of the class in the family listings is being pursued.

XII. New Business

The Hideaway Improvements

The building will be demolished in September and a new kitchen with bathrooms built in its place.

ECommerce Platforms

Liaison Kramer will research a new platform for paid events to replace EventBrite.

Movie Nights

The Hideaway will present 5 movie nights on Thursdays.

XIII. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM by Commissioner Stegall seconded by Commissioner Hojnacki. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Hoffman Estates Arts Commission will be held Tuesday, May 28 at 7:00 PM in the Alexa Training Room of the Village of Hoffman Estates.