



**Public Arts Commission  
Minutes of Meeting  
June 12, 2023**

- I. Call to Order - 7:12 pm. Attendance- Lynda Schiappa, Sue DeKoker, Tara Oosterbaan, Maria DeCaprio Sunta, Vanessa Sunta. Absent - Kathy Peters
- li. Approval of Minutes - Sue DeKoker motioned to approve the May minutes. Tara Oosterbaan seconds and motion carried.
- III. Old Business
  - A. Lights in the Heights - Maria and Vanessa have scheduled a phone meeting with the creator of the World Tallest Glass Christmas Tree. This tree is made completely out of recycled glass and is made over three weekends in December. It was done in Williams Bay, WI on the property of Yerkes Observatory, They will gather all the facts, costs, and logistics and report back.
  - B. Sculpture Tour - Two tours will be offered on Saturday, September 30 departing from the municipal parking lot. Lynda has reserved the Recreation Center bus. Sue will obtain waiver forms. Maria is in the process of writing the narrative script for the tours. Vanessa will design a flyer for promotion. Sue and Lynda will be the docents. Kathy will visit area restaurants to obtain coupons as an incentive to dine before or after the tour,
  - C. Privacy Fencing - this project has been put on hold as there was a mis-communication between Adam and Lynda. Therefore, we do not have permission to put anything on the ComEd fence that protects the power grids.
  - D. Approval of Bills - none
- IV. New Business
  - A. Farmers Market Art Pod - Lynda will meet with the Mayor to discuss the logistics of having a pod at the market featuring different artists that would sell and demonstrate their craft. The pod would remain onsite for the duration of the farmers market season and be removed in the fall. This project will most likely be implemented in 2024.
  - B. Little Library at Art Garden - Lynda shared with the commissioners that a little library was installed at the Art Garden without informing Public Arts. Lynda explained the process that took place for the installation of the new "Free Library". After multiple phone calls, it was discovered that this was a donation made by a resident family. After discussion, it was decided that PAC will attend the July Buildings & Grounds meeting. Our goal is to establish guidelines for any future or potential new donations or additions to Public Arts sculpture sites. Note: In the past, there was a hand-painted little library in the Art Garden and it was vandalized three times so it was moved to the Recreation Center.

IV. Public Comment - none

VII Miscellaneous -

- Spectrum Senior Living of Palos Heights - Spectrum reached out to PAC asking if they could partner with us in some way. After discussion, we will offer a sculpture tour for the assisted living seniors who are fully mobile. Another idea was an interactive mural designed by PAC that seniors could paint over a period of time. Assistance would be given by Spectrum staff.
- Sue mentioned that she visited Cedarburg, WI and observed a plein air festival in progress. She suggested doing a plein air event in 2024 and will do research. More to be discussed.

VIII. Adjournment- Motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm.  
Please note there will not be a July meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Maria DeCaprio Sunta