

Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission
Page Memorial Building
839 Fourth Avenue
Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2021

Meeting called to order 7:13 pm by Chairperson Hickey.

Roll Call: Karen Banks, Margaret Hermes, Patrick Reagan, Carrie Johnson, Jennifer Hickey

Absent: Nancy Mattson

Motion made by Banks, supported by Reagan to approve the agenda as presented.

– motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

Public comment – no public comment was heard.

Minutes: Motion by Banks, supported by Reagan, to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2021 regular meeting and the July 26, 2021 special meeting. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

Discussed financial report – Reagan motioned, and Hermes supported, to postpone the financial report until September, when all numbers are in from the Art in the Park (AITP) event. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

Reagan moved to approve payment to the West Michigan Tourist Association for annual membership, at a cost of \$260.00. Banks supported this motion. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

Discussion Items:

A) 2021 Art in the Park

- 1) 2021 Event Feedback – discussion took place on booth fees for vendors. Hickey noted that she had heard that booth fees were quite cheap. Reagan asked Hermes for her point of view, as she regularly attends these types of events as a vendor. Discussion ensued on this topic. Discussion then centered on whether the AITP event should be two days instead of a single day event.

Motion by Banks, supported by Hermes, to offer the “Super Saver” rate to vendors that participated in the 2021 event, and to not offer this rate to any other vendors. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

- 2) Parking Lot C – discussion took place about parking lot c. An idea was put forth that this entire lot should be completely handicapped parking for this event. A motion was made by Reagan, supported by Banks, to postpone the discussion of this topic to a later meeting. Ayes: Reagan,

Banks, Hermes, Johnson; No: Hickey. The motion passed 4-1 and this topic will be postponed until a later meeting.

- 3) Volunteers – it was reported that twenty-nine people volunteered for the 2021 event. Discussion took place about running a “thank you” advertisement in the local newspaper, in order to publicly recognize volunteers. Reagan made a motion, supported by Hermes, to run an ad in the Lakewood News to thank 2021 event volunteers and sponsors. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.
- 4) Changes for 2022 Event – the group discussed possible changes to the event for 2022. No action was taken.
- 5) Items for next agenda – None.
- 6) Board member comments -- None

Meeting adjourned: 8:36 pm

Respectfully submitted

Patrick Reagan

Village Manager/ Village Clerk