

**Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission
Page Memorial Building
839 Fourth Avenue
Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2021**

Meeting called to order 7:07 pm by Village Manager/ Clerk Reagan.

Roll Call: Margaret Hermes, Patrick Reagan, Carrie Johnson, Nancy Mattson

Absent: Karen Banks

Reagan called for nominations and election of a new Chairperson due to the resignation of Hickey from the Board.

Mattson nominated Reagan to be the Chairperson.

Reagan nominated Hermes. Nominations closed.

Hermes was elected Chairperson by vote, 3-0, with Hermes abstaining.

Hermes opened the meeting.

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

– motion carried by voice vote of members present, 4-0.

Public comment – no public comment was heard.

Minutes: Motion by Johnson, supported by Reagan, to approve the minutes from the August 9, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 4-0.

Discussed financial report – Reagan motioned, and Johnson supported, to approve the financial report as submitted. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 4-0.

Johnson moved to approve, with Hermes supporting, artist referral rebates to Jim Andresen, Kayla Dowker, and Bob Andresen. Motion carried by voice vote of members present, 4-0.

Discussion Items:

A) 2021 Art in the Park

- 1) Vendor Comment Cards – there was discussion as to the number of prizes to be drawn for comment cards. Reagan believed that there were two \$25 gift cards, with 1 free booth space. Winners were drawn:

Lisa Underhill -- \$25 gift card
Lyle Morten -- \$25 gift card
Jane Underhill – Free booth space

Jane Schneider has already paid for her booth space in 2022 and will need to be refunded.

Comment card feedback – Hermes reported that most vendors were satisfied with the event. Most vendors did not want a two-day event.

Handicapped Parking (Lot C) – postponed discussion until next meeting.

Sponsor Thank You Letters – Reagan will write a thank you letter to sponsors.

Wine Tasting – Reagan went over Wine Tasting numbers. Revenue for the event was \$3,324.00 and expenses were \$3,057.13.

Improvements for 2022 – the group discussed ideas for improvement. Mattson stated that ice cream and elephant ear vendors were needed for next year's event.

2022 AITP Event – Hermes shared a spreadsheet that she has created for the 2022 event. Currently, the 2022 event has reservations from 27 vendors for 32 booth spaces.

Recruiting of Artists for 2022 – the group discussed ways to recruit artists.

2) Items for next agenda – None.

3) Board member comments – Johnson stated that she will think of ways to recruit for next year's event.,

Meeting adjourned: 7:39 pm

Respectfully submitted
Patrick Reagan
Village Manager/ Village Clerk