

**Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission  
Page Memorial Building  
839 Fourth Avenue  
Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2022**

Meeting called to order 7:08 pm by Chairperson Hermes.

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

Absent: Karen Banks

Visitors: None

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Johnson, supported by Reagan to approve the agenda as presented.– motion carried by voice vote of members present, 5-0.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Mattson, supported by Hermes, to approve the meeting minutes from the July 11, 2022, July 25, 2022, and August 8, 2022 meetings. Motion carried by voice vote, 5-0.

Financial Report: Motion by Reagan, supported by Johnson, to place the financial report on file. Motion carried by voice vote, 5-0.

Public comment – no public comment was heard.

Discussion Items:

A) 2022 Art in the Park

- 1) Winners of Prepaid Gift Card and Free Booth Space: Dan Ward was randomly picked as the winner of the prepaid gift card. Larry Larkin was randomly drawn as the winner of the free booth for the 2023 event,
- 2) Approval of Referral Rebates – this was tabled until October 2022 meeting.
- 3) Event Recap – good job done by all. The suggestion was put forth to start the Kid's Zone activity earlier in 2023.
- 4) Correspondence – Patrick will right sponsor thank-you letters. Meg will write thank you letter to artists.

- 5) Action item – Linda Taylor application: motion by Reagan, supported by Mattson, to allow Linda Taylor to have access to early bird rate. Voice vote. Motion approved, 5-0.
  - a. New applications received – no new applications have been received.
- 6) Review of show rules – tabled until October 2022 meeting.
- 7) Shows to attend in person – discussion took place.
- 8) Chainsaw Artist – Johnson stated that she has contacted numerous chainsaw artists for the stump in Village Park. Two have responded. Alonzo Montoya from Newaygo, Michigan and Starving Carvist Chainsaw from Battle Creek. Johnson will follow up for future discussion and Board action.
- 9) Dance Floor Replacement – tabled until October 2022 meeting.
- 10) Replacement of Pavilion Shade Cloth -- these will be inspected after DPW removes them in the fall.
- 11) Ideas for Community Projects – Johnson brought up Murals and other public art. Discussion took place. Johnson stated that Tony Jackson’s ArtPrize entry “Birdcage” might be a possible public art piece. Further discussion took place. Reagan suggested getting costs together in preparation of getting 2023/ 2024 budget created.
- 12) Meeting Dates – motion by Reagan, supported by Hermes, to approve the 2023 calendar year:

January 9  
February 13  
March 13  
April 10  
May 8  
June 12  
July 10 & 24  
August 7  
September 11  
October 9  
November 13  
December – no meeting.

Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

B) Board member comments -- None

Meeting adjourned: 8:19 pm

Respectfully submitted

Patrick Reagan

Village Manager/ Village Clerk