

MINUTES

Lake Odessa Area Arts Commission

Regular Meeting

Monday, October 14, 2024

Page Memorial Building

Lake Odessa, Michigan

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Hermes called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
Present: Karen Banks, Melanie Baker, Meg Hermes, Carrie Johnson, Aurora Rice
Absent: Nancy Mattson, Ty Nurenberg
Visitors: None
Staff: None
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Rice, support by Hermes, to approve agenda as presented.
All ayes; motion carried with Johnson absent.
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Minutes:** Motion by Hermes, support by Rice, to approve minutes of September 10, 2024 regular meeting. All ayes; motion carried with Johnson absent.
5. **Finance:**
 - a. **Revenue/Expense report:** Revenue/Expense report for September 2024 was reviewed.
 - b. **Accounts payable:** Motion by Hermes, support by Banks, to approve invoice from CareLinc in the amount of \$40. All ayes; motion carried with Johnson absent.
6. **Action Items:**
 - a. **2024 Art in the Park Follow-Up Correspondence:** Letters to thank sponsors and volunteers still need to be sent, as well as follow-up letters to participating artists.

Johnson arrived at 7:22 p.m.

- b. **Mural Project:** A memo that Banks presented to the Downtown Development Authority at their October meeting was reviewed. Banks reported that the DDA is on board with the project. The deadline was missed to apply for grant funding from the "Power of Women Giving" group, but there will be another round of funding in 2025, with an application deadline of 4/2/2025.
- c. **Painting Class:** Johnson asked if the LOAAC still wished to hold a painting class with artist Jennie Reichert. Consensus was to move forward. Johnson will book a date in February. LOAAC will provide refreshments.

- d. Holiday Decorating Contest: Contest dates were updated and geographic contest area was expanded to include any home or business within the 48849 zip code. Banks will send a press release this week to the Lakewood News.
- e. Board Membership: Rice stated that high school student Elizabeth Stoneman will be interested in serving as a student representative on the LOAAC. Johnson stated her intention to resign from the LOAAC, and that this is her last meeting.

7. **Adjournment**: Without objection, meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Banks, Secretary/Treasurer