

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022
MEETING OF THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
VILLAGE OF OSWEGO
MEETING MINUTES

ROLL CALL

Attended: Karen Kulzer, Katie Marter, Angie Hibben and Jennifer Putzier, Julie Hoffman
Absent: Tony Pastore and Kristie Vest

START OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Tony Pastore and seconded by Karen Kulzer.

PUBLIC FORUM

Opened and closed at 6:08 p.m.

MINUTES

Karen made a motion to approve the March minutes as written at 6:12 PM. Katie Marter seconded the motion.

INTRODUCTIONS

Bridget Bittman, Community Engagement Coordinator – Events, was introduced and shared her professional background with the group. The Commissioners who were present went around the room and introduced themselves as well.

OLD BUSINESS:

Art at Village Hall: The Contreras Exhibit was extended through April 21, 2022. The Hometown Expo Exhibit will go up shortly thereafter. Youth exhibitors will be recognized at the May 17, 2022, Board Meeting beginning at 7:00 PM.

Downtown Mural Update:

Building Owner, Art Black, called Julie to let her know that he has met with his tenants, and they asked for beer ingredients to be included in the mural such as barley, hops, grapes and vines. The Commission discussed and the objectives put forth and determined that this is a community art project that is not promotional in nature. Art has conveyed that OBC also wanted their name on the mural. Kristy reiterated that the intention of the mural elements was to highlight the identity of our town near the river with bikes and kayaks. Further, taxpayers shouldn't be paying for anything that has commercial advertising elements for businesses.

Julie brought the discussion back to Village Administrator, Dan DiSanto who met with Art Black and Jason Watts for a site visit in person, after the April 13 CAC meeting.

Public Bike Rack Concept:

Julie started to research costs and realized quickly that she didn't have enough information on specifications of the project to price them out. She requested that the Commission determine where the bike racks would be placed and then brainstorm exactly what we'd like them to look like, rather than choose something presented that someone else is already doing.

The majority of the meeting was spent looking at areas along Main Street where a Bike Rack could be placed, in an effort to start large and scale back as the budget requires.

- **Locations included:**

- Van Buren and Main St. – Corner near Schoppe Design Associates
- Sidewalk along Main St. near the Dairy Barn
- Corner of Washington and Main St. near Bentley's Pet Stuff
- Corner of Washington and Main St. near The Marmalade Tree
- Corner of Washington and Main St. near Jerry Bannister Photography
- Sidewalk near Oswego Wellness
- Corner of Jackson and Main St – near Floral Expressions & Gifts
- Small sidewalk area in front of the parking lot Floral Expressions & Gifts
- Corner of Jackson and Main St – near Floral Bella Gia/The Prom Shoppe
- Sidewalk near The Village Grind
- Sidewalk in front of the Oswego Public Library

During the next meeting, we will be brainstorming the look and feel of the bike racks themselves in an effort to get quotes on equipment and supplies needed, along with installation quotes.

NEW BUSINESS: None

STAFF REPORTS: None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

- Karen Kulzer:** The Chamber's Hometown Expo is taking place on April 23 at the Kendall County Fairgrounds. Come check out the art gallery. The talent is fantastic!
- Kristie Vest:** The Oswegoland Park District is having a Kite Fly in celebrating of Earth Day on April 23 and a Poetry Walk with Dist. 308 on April 24 in Hudson Crossing Park.

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM. A motion was made by Tony Pastore and seconded by Karen Kulzer