

GROVE CITY HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2024

Agenda Item A: Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Andrews called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Proper public notice has been given.

Members in Attendance: CJ Andrews, Chair; Janet Shailer, Vice Chair; Rob Stroup, Member; Linda Hall, Member; John Maxson, Member; Chloe Dickson, Member and Lisa Napier-Garcia, Member.

Others in Attendance: Russ Haskell, Kelly Sutherland, Jack Castle, Mayor Stage and Don Walters

Agenda Item B: Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item C: Approval of Minutes

Reviewed the June 13, 2024 minutes. Chair Andrews made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted; seconded by Ms. Hall. Vote Taken - Motion Approved.

Agenda Item D: New Items

1. **Finance Report** – Reviewed Finance Report provided by Ms. Sutherland. Expenses for additional signs from American Awards has been added. Ms. Dickson is taking the lead on the HR Personnel Expression sign. Mr. Stroup will work with Mr. Haskell on a quote for 3-D videos. Chair Andrews made a motion to accept the Finance Report as submitted; seconded by Ms. Napier-Garcia. Vote Taken – Motion Approved.
2. **Proposed Expenditures** – No additional proposed expenditures.
3. **Museum Update** – Ms. Sutherland reported no changes at this time, but work continues on scheduling tours for the museum, Grant-Sawyer Home, and Village.
4. **SWFCHS Update** – Mr. Maxson reported a successful annual yard sale with the help of VIP's and Noon Lions. A QR code was recently established for their new website, and they are brainstorming other methods to reach people (i.e., flyers). Credit cards can now be used on the new website to pay for tours, memberships, and donations. Work continues on uploading oral histories to the website.
5. **LTOB Update** – Ms. Napier-Garcia reported their next show opening in August is *Moon Over Buffalo*. Planning for Arts in the Alley is underway. They are looking into showing cartoons on that Saturday morning. The Ohio Arts Council grant is being processed, but their score increased. If they receive three consecutive awards, they would be eligible to apply for larger grants for capital projects.
6. **America250** – Reviewed draft resolution. Only change would be to specify that Grove City is the sponsoring agency. Chair Andrews made a motion to accept the resolution as amended; seconded by Ms. Hall. Vote Taken – Motion Passed.

Reviewed America250 Committee information. Requested changes include adding Jackson Township and Pleasant Township, and list "Southwest Public Library" instead of

“Grove City Library.” Chair Andrews made a motion to accept the amendments as discussed and to have them attached to the resolution; seconded by Vice Chair Shailer. Vote Taken – Motion Approved.

7. **History Hike** – Reviewed list. Vice Chair Shailer is working on the mastodon/St. John’s 175th sign. Mayor Stage will get verbiage for St. John’s sign. The goal would be Oct./ Nov. for installation.

Mr. Walters distributed a sign list and a picture of a potential sign, noting that the signs could go on a wall or in the ground or in a planter. A QR code could be developed to see “then and now” pictures of the location. Looking for at least four people to review verbiage prior to approval. Vice Chair Shailer would be point-person and have final approval of verbiage. Ms. Watkins from the museum has already found a lot of information about the signs. The Breck home and Grant-Sawyer addresses need corrected. Also mentioned Woodland Hotel, Lutheran Lady’s Home. Map pin points need to be adjusted, so they don’t overlap.

Ms. Napier-Garcia noted that the bronze plaques look nice and high-end and would prefer a QR code that compliments the existing signs, or the proposed sign color needs to be changed to match (bronze/black).

8. **Open Doors** – Ms. Sutherland reviewed requirements to participate and gave an overview of events, which will be finalized by the end of the month.

9. **2024 Commission Goals** –

- a. National History Day - Ms. Dickson reported on upcoming meeting for National History Day, which is similar to a science fair, but for history and is hoping to encourage local schools to get involved.
- b. Oral History - Vice Chair Shailer reported that Steve Jackson’s interview about the depot is done and Ms. Haskell is ready to edit. Vice Chair Shailer also shared original letters written by John Hoover, which will be preserved in special sleeves.
- c. 3980 Broadway – Vice Chair Shailer is researching, but noted that the signs can only have a maximum of 240 characters including spaces, punctuation, etc.

10. **Proposed Commission Projects**

- a. **Skate Park Artwork** – Ms. Sutherland reported that interns have started working on this project

11. **Active/Approved Commission Projects** – Nothing additional.

12. **Active Community Projects** – Nothing additional.

Agenda Item E: Open Discussion

1. **Next Meeting** – August 8, 2024

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:24 a.m.


Jennifer Uhrin, Secretary


CJ Andrews, Chair