

**CITY OF
MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA
PUBLIC ARTS
COMMISSION
MINUTES**



**March 26, 2024
City Hall
510 N. Baker St.
Mount Dora, FL 32757**

CALL TO ORDER

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Chairperson Thomas Decker called to order the March 26, 2024, regular meeting of the Public Arts Commission at 3:32 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Thomas Decker
Rebecca Owen
Jane Slivka
Maryann McNamara
Kaeshawn Volmar

Also Present:

Christopher Carson, Cultural & Special Events Manager
Jennifer Schwarz, Operations Manager
Gretchen Gomez, Parks & Recreation Admin Coordinator
Drew Smith, Attorney – Shepard, Smith, Kohlmyer & Hand

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. November 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA; VICE-CHAIRPERSON VOLMAR SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member McNamara
Commission Member Slivka
Vice-Chairperson Volmar
Commission Member Owen*

NO None

B. January 23, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Carson amended the minutes to read as follows:

Daniel Stetson of Sullivan Ranch: Introduced himself as a new resident, recently retired Art Museum Director. Stated he started the Sculpture Festival at the Polk Museum of Art in Lakeland.

MOTION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA; COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member McNamara
Commission Member Slivka
Vice-Chairperson Volmar*

Commission Member Owen

NO None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Morris, Gallery Director, Mount Dora Center for the Arts:

Working on an initiative to find and identify all of Mount Dora Center for the Arts permanent collection works. He would like to place tags for what the work is, artists name, and identify that it is Mount Dora Center for the Arts property on loan for the City of Mount Dora.

Gary Hopcraft, Board Member, Mount Dora Center for the Arts:

Discussed missing works and would like help from City staff to find them.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Annual Ethics Review

Attorney Drew Smith of Shepard, Smith, Kohlmyer & Hand reviewed and discussed Sunshine Law, Robert's Rule, and other ethical subjects with the board.

B. Introduction to Parks & Recreation Administrative Coordinator, Gretchen Gomez

Mr. Carson introduced Gretchen Gomez as the new Parks & Recreation Administrative Coordinator. Ms. Gomez will report to Jennifer Schwarz, Operations Manager, and will be clerking minutes of the Public Arts Commission Board Meetings. Ms. Gomez duties include being the administrative support to the Parks & Recreation Department and record keeping in the daily activities of the department.

ACTION ITEMS

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CITY STAFF

A. Waterfront Art Walk Update

Mr. Carson provided an update on the project. The LLC has been updated by the artist. Mr. Carson stated that the City Attorney is satisfied with the documents that were received in order to move forward with install. The artist will be presenting verbiage to go on a plaque for the art sculpture. Director Troy Shonk to coordinate with the artist regarding install date.

B. Sunset Park Mosaic Update

Mr. Carson provided an update on the project. He stated that the department has heard back from the artist and has an estimated time of completion. Faden Builders to pick up structure and install base.

C. Martin Luther King Center Mural Update

Mr. Carson provided an update and distributed a photo showing the mural.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Commission Member Susan Gieger

B. Commission Member John Wesner

D. Chairperson Thomas Decker

Inquired about the artist on loan that came to the art show. Mr. Carson discussed wanting the artists to present themselves to the board.

D. Commission Member Jane Slivka

E. Commission Member Maryann McNamara

F. Vice-Chairperson Keashawn "Kay" Volmar

G. Commission Member Rebecca Owen

FUTURE MEETING DATES

A. May 28, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

B. July 23, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

C. September 24, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

D. November 26, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

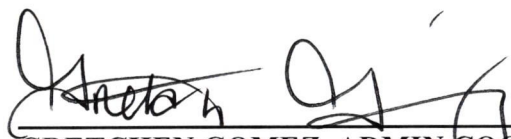
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN TO ADJOURN; COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:10 P.M.



THOMAS DECKER, CHAIRPERSON
City of Mount Dora



GRETCHEN GOMEZ, ADMIN COORDINATOR
City of Mount Dora