

Duncan Park Commission

Special Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2021

Zoom Meeting and Streamed on City of Grand Haven's YouTube channel

The virtual meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by President Roger Cotner.

Commissioners:

Present: President Roger Cotner, Secretary Aaron van Baal, Georgette Sass, Jennifer Holland, and Nancy Nagtzaam

Absent:

Others: City Liaison Dennis Scott, City Liaison Derek Gajdos, City Manager Pat McGinnis, Assistant to the City Manager Ashley Latsch, and representatives from Lakeshore Visual Arts Collective (LVAC) Maggie Bandstra and Kathleen O'Brien

Those participating in the introductions for live stream introduced themselves and stated their locations; Roger Cotner, Aaron van Baal, Nancy Nagtzaam, Derek Gajdos, Dennis Scott, and Pat McGinnis in Grand Haven, Michigan. Georgette Sass in Nederland, CO. Jennifer Holland in Grandville, OH. Kathleen O'Brien in West Olive, MI. Maggie Bandstra in Grand Rapids, MI.

Cotner briefly outlined ground rules for the virtual meeting including the need for roll call votes.

Approval of Agenda: Holland moved to adopt the Draft Agenda which Van Baal seconded. The motion to approve the agenda carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Public Comment: None

This meeting was a Special Emergency Meeting so that Commission Members could vote on the LVAC use application.

New Business:

- A) Consideration of a motion to approve the Use Application submitted by Lakeshore Visual Arts Collective (LVAC) for an artist trunk show in the Park on Sunday, May 16, 2021, or Sunday, May 23, 2021, between 11:30 am and 4:30 pm, upon payment of the use fee in the amount of \$400 and submission of proof of insurance. Van Baal moved, Nagtzaam seconded. Cotner informed the Commission that his wife, Marlan Cotner, serves as a volunteer on the LVAC Board of Directors and that she will not be participating in the LVAC Trunk Show event. Cotner did not believe that Marlan Cotner's service on the LVAC Board was a conflict of interest to the Commissions business of approving the LVAC Use Application but that City Manager Pat McGinnis deemed it necessary to disclose this relationship to the Commission to let the Commission decide if Cotner should recuse himself from deliberations and voting. Cotner agreed with City Manager Pat McGinnis for the need for transparency. A roll call vote to recuse Cotner from deliberations and voting passed 3-1 (Van Baal dissented, Cotner abstained). Van Baal, Sass, and Holland discussed concerns and questions regarding the event while Maggie Bandstra and Kathleen O'Brien from LVAC addressed those concerns and questions. City Liaison Gajdos did not offer any comment, City Liaison Dennis Scott briefly stated his comments. After a roll call vote the motion carried 3-1 (Sass dissented, Cotner abstained). A copy of the Lakeshore Visual Arts Trunk Show application is attached.

Public Comment: None.

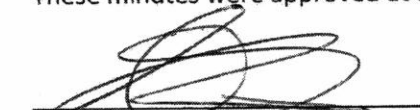
Cotner announced the next scheduled meeting date of Tuesday May 18, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., probably to be held virtually via Zoom and Facebook Live.

Holland moved to adjourn the meeting with support from Van Baal. The motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote and Cotner declared the meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron van Baal, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the Commission meeting held on Tuesday May 18, 2021.


Aaron van Baal, Secretary