

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023
MEETING OF THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION VILLAGE OF OSWEGO
MEETING MINUTES

ROLL CALL

Attended: Tony Pastore, Karen Kulzer and Katie Marter

Absent: Kristie Vest and Jennifer Putzier

START OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at Venue 1012 by Tony and seconded by Karen.

NEW BUSINESS

Julie conducted a group tour of Venue 1012, pointing out the water feature and future locations scoped for the main entranceway, walking path and the playground. Preliminary discussion was had about possible public art projects to be incorporated into the future design to include:

- Music-themed playground equipment
- Multiple sculptures around the walking path
 - Placing the same sculpture in different places intended to be viewed from varying angles to look different each time
- Something to go see and do at night during the concerts

In taking a random interest poll of those present, the results follow:

- Katie and Karen leaned towards the pond sculptures around the walking path
- Tony expressed interest in something to go see and do at night during the concerts
 - Tony asked for an update on when the Village would be acquiring the retention pond

PUBLIC FORUM

The Public Forum was opened and closed at 7:11 p.m. at Oswego Village Hall.

MINUTES

Tony motioned to approve the April 12, 2023, minutes, as amended. Katie seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

Art at Village Hall:

Gerardo Rios' art is on display at Village Hall from now through July 24, 2023

Bike Racks: Installation will begin on the corner of Van Buren and Main Streets as soon as the new vendor is ready to incorporate it into the water main project.

Fiscal Year 2025 Project Brainstorming:

Art in the Park: This is a day-long art fair with art classes featured as part of it. Consider bringing back the concept of selling a Day Pass to go to the art classes in order to see how artists do things. Artists can also sell their work, have a booth, demonstrate, etc.. Further discussion needs to be had about how to control attendance, but tickets could be sold based upon the quantity of classes someone takes.

Future Projects: The next project would benefit the community by first engaging them/educating them along the way. We may want to build in publicity, so residents know what's happening. Get ahead of speculation that can develop, if not incorporated.

STAFF REPORTS:

Wine on the Fox took place May 6 – 7. There were record crowds. Three new Trustees were elected to the Board along with a new Village President, each of whom were sworn in on May 2.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS: Karen announced that the Fox River Academy of Music & Art is doing community art projects at Prairiefest once again this year to include four barn quilts. In the months of June – September, they will also be conducting art projects at the downtown Farmers Market.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall