

Fredericksburg Arts Commission Minutes

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Video Conference:

URL: <https://zoom.us/j/97479198960>

Phone: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 974 7919 8960

In attendance: Jay Downey, Carole Garmon, Jason Graham, Melanie Johnson, Kenneth Lecky, Jane Shelhorse

Absent: Sophia Constantine, Kerry Devine, Jon McMillan, Alma Withers

- The meeting was called to order at 6:38
 - This meeting is being held electronically by video and telephone conference, pursuant to City Council Ordinance 20-05, An Ordinance to Address Continuity of City Government during the Pendency of a Pandemic Disaster.
 - The members participating are: Jay Downey, Carole Garmon, Jason Graham, Melanie Johnson, Kenneth Lecky, Jane Shelhorse
 - Members of the public have been invited to access this meeting by public notice on the City of Fredericksburg Government website. Public Comment may be made in writing by dropping them in the Deposit Box at City Hall, U.S. Mail, or email to the Clerk of Council.
- Welcome/Intro Guests & Community Members in attendance
 - n/a
- Public Comment
 - n/a
- Approval of February Meeting Minutes
 - Jay Downey motioned to approve the February minutes, Melanie Johnson seconded the motion.
 - The motion to approve the February minutes passed by unanimous roll call vote.
- Officer and Committee Reports
 - Treasurer's Report (Kenneth Lecky)
 - The only change to the report from last month is the monies for the LOVEfxbgArt project being moved from allocated to spent
 - Jason Graham motioned to approve the Treasurer's report, Carole Garmon seconded the motion.
 - The motion to approve the Treasurer's report passed by unanimous roll call vote
 - Administrative (Kenneth Lecky)
 - No report
 - Funding (Kenneth Lecky)
 - Vote on Creative Communities Partnership Grant applications
 - > 8 applications were received for the Creative Communities Partnership Grant: Artful Dimensions, ArtsLive!, Chamber Chorale,

Dance Matrix, Fredericksburg Theater Ensemble, Rappahannock Area Kids on the Block, Semilla Cultural, Sense+Theater=Endless Possibilities, Inc.

- > All applications were complete and met the basic criteria for funding
- > Jay Downey motioned to award \$1250 to each applicant of the Creative Communities Partnership grant for 2022, Jason Graham seconded the motion.
- > Jason Graham amended the motion to award each applicant \$1750
- > Jay Downey amended the motion to award each applicant \$2000, Jason Graham seconded the motion
- > Roll Call vote: Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garmon, yes; Jason Graham, yes; Melanie Johnson, yes; Kenneth Lecky, yes
- > The motion to award \$2000 to each applicant to the Creative Communities Partnership Grant for 2022 passed by unanimous roll call vote
 - Funding committee is meeting soon to discuss the Art Support Funding application received by the March 1st deadline, which will be voted on at the April FAC meeting.
- Venues (Carole Garmon)
 - No report
- Public Art (Kenneth Lecky)
 - Preston Thayer is stepping down from his position in the public sculpture project
- Publicity (Melanie Johnson)
 - Melanie Johnson is the new Chair
 - She has begun exploring the role of the Publicity committee within the context of social media
- Outreach (Kenneth Lecky)
 - School art supply project update
 - > Jane Shelhorse reported that the monies allocated to support the Fredericksburg City Public Schools' art programs have been paid to the schools and the teachers have ordered their supplies.
- Old Business
 - n/a
- New Business
 - n/a
- The meeting adjourned at 7:22pm