



# Meeting Minutes

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**Feb. 3, 2025**

## CALL TO ORDER

10:10 am

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion to approve:** Ryan Searl

**Second:** Susan Burton

## ATTENDEES

**In-person:** Amanda Zehr, Susan Burton, Ryan Searl, Tami Koppen, Annette Barr, Heather Pursley (also called in for portion of meeting)

**Call-in:** Joceyln Campbell, Heather Pursley

## PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## AGENDA

**Marble Sculptures**

Four (4) submissions were received: Clara Brubaker, Ruth George, Natalie Zelman, and Dylan Conmy. The committee discussed the submissions and voted to approve Clara Brubaker, Ruth George, Natalie Zelman's submissions.

#### Action Item

**Amanda Zehr** to notify the artists with next steps.

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### Morel Hunt Murals

Susan Burton presented the template for the morel hunt murals.

Call to artists announced via social media week of Feb. 3. Applications due by Feb. 26. Committee members will vote on submissions at the March 3 meeting, and artists will be notified by March 6, 2025.

Ideal locations for murals was discussed. At the March 3 meeting, the committee will identify potential locations for the murals and contact building/business owners for participation.

Content for informational brochure to accompany the murals was discussed.

#### Action Item

**Amanda Zehr** to post call to artists on social media.

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### En Plein Air Festival

After speaking with stakeholders, the committee agreed to change the dates of the festival to Sept. 12-14, 2025. Participants will tour Ottawa on Friday, paint on Saturday, and an exhibit will be held at Nell's Woodland on Sunday.

#### Action Items

- **Annette Barr** will reach out to Bill Walsh Automotive Group about the possibility of using their shuttle bus for the tours on Friday of the event.

- **Heather Pursley** to get room-block pricing from 3 hotels in Ottawa.
  - **Committee member** to contact Thyme, Handy Foods, and Cheese Shop for catering options and pricing.
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## **Poet Laureate**

Susan Burton presented guidance to the group from the American Academy of Poets. The committee discussed ideas about the length of tenure, expectations, and responsibilities for a city Poet Laureate, as well as a budget for the program.

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## **Mosaic Flower Rehab Update**

Susan Burton provided an update on the mosaic flower rehab project to the committee, along with photos and a budget. The committee discussed possible installation locations, including in front of the Ottawa Visitors Center.

## **Meeting Adjournment**

11:32 AM

Motion to approve: Annette Bar

Seconded: Susan Burton