City of Ottawa Arts Committee

Meeting Minutes 7/1/24

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

301 W. Madison St.

Ottawa, IL 61350

Call to Order: 10:08

Present: Jocelyn Campbell, Amanda Weygand, Ryan Searle, & Susan Burton

Via Phone: Anna Wright

City Officials: Alaina Iverson & Tammy Koppen

Public Comment: N/A

Motion to Approve Minutes:

Motion to approve: Ryan Searle

Second: Jocelyn Campbell

All ayes. Motion approved.

Old Business:

Drinkin with Lincoln:

No artists signed up – informed Rich of this.

New Business:

Free Little Art Library

Ribbon cutting ceremony on 6/28

Annette under budget (need final cost)

Still need Signage

Electrical Boxes:

Traffic Signals - ok
IDOT owns boxes and will not allow wrapping or paint.
Ameren may allow boxes to be wrapped.
Need to reconsider this idea.
Holiday Sculptures:
Need a call to artists = end of July
Christmas Tree sculptures
or
Snow globes
Going this route? Tentative YES.
Looking for cheaper options and will make final decision next week.
Wine & Art Walk
Call to artists going out soon
Sunflower @ Allen Park
Susan is assessing this, does need a bit more work than anticipated.
En Plaine Air
Need to determine dates.
Sculptures:
Proposed idea of renting multiple sculptures on a 2-year basis instead of one permanent sculpture.

Ryan Searle – Event in 2025

Idea for Music event at Nells Woodland

Susan Burton – Event in 2025

Idea to assign a city Poet Laureate

Meeting Adjourned at 11:08 AM.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, August 5th at 10:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted by Ottawa Arts Committee Secretary

Anna Wright