

**PRAIRIE VILLAGE ARTS COUNCIL | MEETING MINUTES**  
**MPR, City Hall**  
March 6th, 2024  
5:30 pm

**BUSINESS MEETING**

Lauren Wolf called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Council members present were:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abby Margariel   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lauren Wolf, city council chair     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Bagnall      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maddie Samuel                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Bahr         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nickie Lee, staff member            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bonnie Limbird   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reese Naftel                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gina Ciampi      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renee Duvall                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Gattorna | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Nelson, city council vice chair |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joanna Polley    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trudy Williams                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laurel Thomas    | <input type="checkbox"/> Trinity Ready, student member                  |

The agenda was approved unanimously with the add of one additional item: review and consider sponsorship of the 67th Annual PV Art Show.

**Public Participation:** none

**Presentation:** Meghan Buum, Assistant City Administrator, gave a brief overview of the parks in PV as the Arts Council considers a prioritization list for public art. Meghan shared a lot of helpful tidbits about each park, and offered more recommendations from the Parks & Rec committee as we get closer to thinking about art placement. Some notes:

- Wassmer is the newest park and is “complete” with a lot of attention received already.
- McCrum is highly visible. Has no current CIP projects on the horizon.
- Shaffer, Schliffke, Brenizer (3 separate “pocket” parks near one another) have the Homesteaders statute in or right near.
- Windsor has low visibility outside the immediate neighborhood and has limited parking.
- Porter is a flagship park. Has been identified by the Diversity Committee for an interpretative panel.
- Bennett is a very small neighborhood park with low visibility.
- Harmon/Santa Fe are part of the Civic Center campus and have “a lot” of art already (relative to the rest of the parks, that is)
- Taliaferro is another “complete” park with a recently upgraded playground, shelter, and restrooms.
- Weltner has high visibility.
- Franklin is another “complete” park with great visibility
- The City will be getting a new Municipal building/City Hall (part of Civic Center campus) in 2026, and could be a good location for art in conjunction with the 75th Anniversary committee.
- Carroll Plaza (75th & Mission) is a “pocket park” that could be a great “connector” along our Art Walk path between PV Shops and the Civic Center campus art.

The **Consent Agenda** was approved unanimously which included:

- a. Approval of the **January 2024** meeting summary.
- b. Approval of printing cost for 2024 rack cards, VillageFest poster, and reception banner: \$232.42

Lauren & Ron gave the **City Council Report**.

- Lauren announced her resignation from City Council, and thus Arts Council, due to moving outside the City limits. We shared that we will miss her and she is always welcome at Arts Council events.
- Updated on the new Municipal building project.

Nickie gave the **Current Year Financial Update**. Arts Council ended 2023 in a continued good position post-pandemic due to unused funds during social distancing. Our food costs have gone a little over budget for our major events (State of the Arts and Art of Photography), but it has balanced out with other areas where we have saved. Income from juried calls for entry have gone down due to the shrinking pool of artists to “regional” from “international”. This was expected, and in line with our budgeting.

**Old Business:** Bonnie confirmed attendance at the upcoming Strategic Planning session. All but 2 or 3 council members are expected to attend.

**New Business:** Nickie reviewed the draft 2025 budget and opened the floor for comment or discussion.

Council also approved unanimously sponsorship of First Washington Realty’s PV Art Show as in previous years. The cost to be \$1,500 at the Silver level which will include a tent again.

The Business Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

## **PLANNING MEETING**

### **5:47 pm**

#### **Past Show/Events**

The **Jan-Feb exhibit** has closed and was taken down on Saturday, 3/2 as well as the Nov-Feb artists at Meadowbrook. We will get an update on sales at the next meeting of the sales that went through the City at the new policy rate of 10%.

#### **Marketing & Communications**

Amy gave an update before heading out to set up for the evening’s show. Social media is ongoing. Posts are scheduled through May 6th. Bob is writing prolifically for the blog and newsletter. They are considering a committee member feature project, and an “ID the public art” through extreme close-up detail photography with small prizes.

#### **Upcoming Event Updates**

**Shooting Stars Gala** will be April 7th if you can make it. It’s a fun time and so cool to see all the student artwork.

The next show will be the **Art of Photography exhibit** to be curated by Bonnie & Bob. The call is now open.

**Prairie Village Art Show** is coming up so watch for a sign-up genius to work the booth.

**VillageFest** - no updates. We don’t have a liaison at this time.

#### **Announcements**

Gina got married! Congrats, Gina and Damian!

**End.**