

**CULTURAL COUNCIL of VOLUSIA COUNTY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**



**January 22, 2021**

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**MEETING TIME & PLACE:**

9:00 a.m.

County Council Chambers  
123 W. Indiana Avenue

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Barbara Bonarrigo  
Lloyd Bowers  
Mike Fincher, Chair  
Tariq Gibran  
Nancy Maddox  
Mike Osowski  
George Pappas  
Sylvia Sabatini

**STAFF:**

Robert Redd, Cultural Coordinator  
Sebrina Slack, Assistant County Attorney

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Tom Laputka

**GUESTS:**

Bryce Hammond-VCCA

### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Fincher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken. A quorum was announced as present.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- A) September 25, 2020 minutes
- B) November 20, 2020 minutes

Motion to approve both sets of minutes: Ms. Maddox  
Second: Ms. Sabatini  
Motion passed unanimously

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **A) Daytona Beach International Airport Art in Public Places**

The Cultural Council will vote to sanction the process used to make final art selections. A packet was provided outlining the process involved in arriving at the eleven selected pieces. The total estimated cost will be \$32,725, leaving roughly \$30,000 to be used for a future purchase. Airport staff and the architect are determining a location to display a sculptural piece. The same Art Selection Committee has agreed to remain in place in order to make this selection.

An agenda item will be prepared for County Council approval. Once approved staff and Legal staff will distribute contracts to selected artists. Arrangements will be made for payments and delivery of artwork to the airport for installation.

The Art Selection Committee will reconvene after a final budget is determined to create a new Call to Artists document in order to secure a sculptural piece.

Motion to approve the selection process: Mr. Pappas

Second: Mr. Osowski

Motion passed unanimously

## **B) ECHO GALLERY**

Council members were provided with a copy of the Call to Artists for the next ECHO Gallery exhibit; titled Naturally Volusia. The call will be put on the street with a submission deadline of April 30.

Current ECHO Gallery exhibit artist Jake Myers was the focus of a recent newspaper article titled “Skateboarding on a Work of Art.” Council members were provided a copy of the article.

## **C) License Plate mini-grant report**

An exact fund balance was not available. It is estimated that the fund has approximately \$58,000. No current applications were available for discussion.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A) Community Cultural Grant**

Discussion was held about the upcoming grant workshops. Thanks were given to Ms. Maddox for providing east side meeting space. It was announced that VCCA will be provided a few minutes to highlight their organization and the value membership provides.

Mr. Fincher brought up the idea that organizations and grant writers who are familiar with the process be allowed to attend the workshop for only the introduction; being made aware of dates and any changes to the application. After asking for input from Ms. Slack it was agreed that this idea be put in place. Further discussion regarding workshop requirements for the 2022-2023 grant will be held at a future meeting.

Discussions took place regarding the grant submission date and the grant review date. With the uncertainties of COVID-19 it was decided it was in the best interests of all to push the submission date back, as was done during 2020.

Motion for May 28 grant submission date and July 23 grant review date: Mr. Osowski

Second: Ms. Sabatini

Motions passed unanimously

10 A.M. Mr. Pappas excused himself from the meeting due to a prior commitment.

### **VCCA REPORT:**

Bryce Hammond discussed upcoming virtual student shows, the Arts Week events happening February 19-28, and the VCCA annual awards event, to be held this year in New Smyrna Beach. Rather than a banquet, it will be held as a gallery stroll. Sally MacKay and Cathy Berse will be the award recipients.

**MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS:**

Ms. Maddox made comment on the successful passage of both ECHO and Volusia Forever ballot initiatives.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next CCVC meeting will take place on June 18, 2021 at the Shores Community Center, 3000 Bellemead Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Daytona Beach Shores.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business before the board, Mr. Fincher called for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion: Second:**

Meeting adjourned at: 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on March 26, 2021 by Robert Redd, Cultural Coordinator, County of Volusia.