

ART WORK SUB-COMMITTEE
McHenry County Administration Building
667 Ware Road
Woodstock IL 60098

MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Gilman at 8:34 a.m. She noted there was not a quorum present. The following members were present: Ann Gilman; and Rick Klasen. Tina Hill, Virginia Peschke and Pete Merkel were absent. Also in attendance: Ralph Sarbaugh, Associate County Administrator-Finance, Sue Stelford, Art Coordinator and Artists, Tom Trausch, Judith Halek, Robert Svihlik, and Sandy Giordano.

	Ann Gilman. Chairman	
Tina Hill		Rick Klasen
Pete Merkel		Virginia Peschke

MINUTES

No quorum to vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Art for the Government Center – continued discussion: Local artists provided artwork to be donated to the County. Tom Trausch and his wife, Gale, each donated pieces to the County. Mr. Trausch donated a piece called “Sunflower conversation” and his wife donated a collage of New York City. Ms. Judith Halek donated a piece of prehistoric art called “continuity”, Mr. Robert Svihlik donated a photograph called Cherry Blossoms of Spring, and Ms. Sandy Giordano presented a water color called “storm cloud”. Committee members thanked all of the artists for their donations. Pictures were taken for a press release. The donation of the Dole Mansion by Juria Mektey was received. A poster for Peter Benkendorf’s “Many Faces” project will be prepared for hanging. Mr. Thomm Beggs, donated a self portrait, from the Many Faces project named “All about me”.

Ms. Stelford stated that she would like to see artist statements included on the title cards that provides additional information regarding the art piece and artist. On the back of each piece will be the name of the artist, date of the donation, title and contact information.

Mr. Klasen questioned whether a numbers system should be completed for the pieces for easier location.

Ms. Stelford presented a copy of the master art plan for the City of Algonquin. She noted that it is very interesting and very detailed.

A first year status report was presented by Ms. Stelford. She noted that a summary of accomplishments were included. She stated it has been a very interesting year with discoveries of what type of programs work within the County. The entire art inventory has been catalogued. The County has doubled its collection within the first year. She noted that it has been an exciting year. Mr. Klasen questioned whether we would be obtaining any type of sculptures for the County. Ms. Stelford stated she would like to obtain some African boxes that are very interesting. A safe display are would need to be found. The artwork that has been placed on loan to the County is for an indefinite period.

Committee members noted the need to reorganize the committee. They noted the need to have a quorum present for each meeting. They stated they would like to get some members who would enjoy being involved with the committee.

The art exhibit has been scheduled for May 16th. Committee members requested a map with floor plans noting the locations with titles of each piece of art. The mayors, village presidents, board members, the EDC (Economic Development Corporation), CVB (Convention Visitors Bureau) and artists have been invited to the event. There will be finger food available in the cafeteria.

The next scheduled temporary exhibit will be by area students. The last student exhibit was well received by the employees.

Committee members suggested certificates of appreciation be given to the artist who have donated pieces to the County. They noted the generosity of the area artists.

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The next meeting committee members will discuss the mural project and set permanent meeting dates.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Noting no further business, The Committee adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

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