

Cultural Arts Commission



September 28, 2023
Town Hall
2121 Cross Timbers Road
Flower Mound, TX 75028

6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

THE FLOWER MOUND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023 AT FLOWER MOUND TOWN HALL IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M. BY THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD, RON MILLER.

The Cultural Arts Commission met in a regular meeting with the following members present:

Ron Miller, Chair, Place 1
Elizabeth Brannon, Vice Chair, Place 2
Beth Dilley, Place 3
Tammie Turner, Place 4
Radha Sathe, Place 6
Laverne Amsterdam, Place 7, Alternate
Ginene Delcioppo, Place 8, Alternate

with the following member(s) absent:
Colleen Russ, Place 5

constituting a quorum with the following members of the Town Staff participating:

Tish Carter, Community and Cultural Events Manager
Sue Ridnour, Director of Library Services
Samantha Stansbery, Administrative Assistant of Library Services

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Board/Commission regarding any item on this agenda that is not a "Public Hearing." Issues regarding daily operational or administrative matters should first be dealt with by calling Town Hall at 972- 874-6000 during business hours. To speak to the Board/Commission during public comment, please fill out a comment form, which is located in the lobby of Town Hall.

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board/Commission is restricted from discussing or acting on items not listed on the agenda.

- Speakers are limited to 3 minutes; a tone will sound at 30 seconds left and when time has expired, and times may be adjusted by the Chair depending on the number of speakers.

- Speakers must address their comments to the Board/Commission.
- Please state your name and address when speaking.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair, Ron Miller, made some announcements on behalf of the local arts groups:

- The Voices of Flower Mound will be presenting *Simple Gifts* at the Lamb of God Lutheran Church at 7pm Saturday, October 7, 2023 and 2:30pm Sunday, October 8, 2023.
- The *International Chamber Series* will be presented in cooperation with the College of Music at the University of North Texas at the Trinity Presbyterian Church Friday, October 13, 2023 at 7:30pm.
- The Flower Mound Symphony Orchestra will be presenting *Cartoon Classics* at Trietsch Memorial UMC at 7:00pm on Thursday, October 21, 2023.

In other announcements:

- The Town of Flower Mound will have its third-annual Arts Festival at Heritage Park.
- There will be a park under construction behind the Flower Mound Public Library that will begin this fall. The Town will be receiving grant funding for this park. It will be named Peters Colony Memorial Park and it will be 3.3 acres. The master plan calls for it to include a remembrance wall, children's area and pavilion, water feature, nature trails, and pedestrian pathways with access to the library.
- Tammie Turner, Place 4, will be resigning from the board after 10 years of service. Murthy Mantha will be joining the commission at the October meeting as Alternate, Place 8..

D. STAFF/DIRECTOR REPORT

Trish Carter, Community and Cultural Events Manager, reported:

- The Town's third-annual Arts Festival will be happening this Saturday, September 30, 2023 at Heritage Park from 10 am until 4 pm. Staff has all arts vendors, sponsors, and performance groups for the festival.
 - 44 art vendors, 13 sponsors, 2 stages-11 performing groups-2 community murals-4 art activity tables, bubble tent, LISD art show, wildflower art display and pinwheels for peace - 700 plus - Blue Bonnet Elementary School
- New Art Wall at the Senior Center - Steven Falkenburg - November Kurt Conner - Artist Talk on Tuesday November 7.
- Staff is arranged for installing the October/November Artist at Town Hall. Thanks to Beth Dilley who will be sharing some of her new work.
- Staff established Thursday, November 9 from 6 pm-7:30 pm for the first Meet and Greet for a Town Hall Artist

Sue Ridnour, Director of Library Services, reported:

- **Summer Reading Challenge**
 - Just over 3,000 participants
- **“Bunny Bench” presentation**
 - It was held on September 9. Real Musgrave, the sculptor, spoke at the event. The bunny's name is Benchley.
- **Annual Patron Satisfaction Survey**
 - Went out to 14,000 patrons 13+ who used their card in the last 12 months
 - Open for three weeks in July - 1,003 responses – 6.7 response rate
 - Overall rating was 4.6 (up from 4.56 last year!)
 - 866 comments are being analyzed. Themes noted so far are more of everything!
- **End of budget year**
 - Finishing right on target
 - Approved for FY2024 (highlights)
 - “On-call” librarians – help cover three service desks during holidays, events, etc.
 - AWE workstations
 - Seed Library – collaboration with Environmental Services
 - Creation Lab: Photo scanner + inkjet printer
- **Fall Programming**
 - Only 7 days in October without an event or program!
 - Arts and creativity-related special events include:
 - Craftastic Mondays: Create Your Own Fall Picture Frame – October 16
 - Creation Lab: personalized wooden bookmarks – October 21
 - Cooking up Culture Series: Lebanese cuisine – October 26
 - Check the library website for details – fmlibrary.net

Sue announced that she will be retiring as Director of Library Services, Thursday, March 28, 2024 after 24 years with the Town and 10 years as the Director of the Library.

E. CONSENT ITEM(S)

This part of the agenda consists of non-controversial, or “housekeeping” items required by law. Items may be removed from Consent by any Commissioner by making such request prior to a motion and vote.

ACTION: Vice Chair, Elizabeth Brannon moved to approve item E.1 as presented in the agenda caption. Place 4, Tammie Turner seconded the motion.

AYES: Ginene Delcioppo, Beth Dilley, Radha Sathe, Elizabeth Brannon, Tammie Turner

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RESULT: 7 : 0

Unanimous vote

F. COORDINATION OF CALENDARS

Board and commission training: October 12

Board and commission appreciation banquet: October 24

Next meeting: October 26

Art Party: November 10

G. ADJOURN

Chair, Ron Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023, and all were in favor.