

VILLAGE OF GRAFTON
PUBLIC ARTS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2012

Chair Erin Blum called the Public Arts Board meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

Public Arts Board members present: Erin Blum, Robert Wagner, Joan Warwick, Mary Mendla, and Trustee Dave Antoine

Absent: Jay Batista, Paula Christensen

Staff/Officials present: Village Administrator Darrell Hofland and Village Clerk Teri Dylak

HEAR PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD

None.

MINUTES

Motion by Robert Wagner, seconded by Dave Antoine, to approve the March 20, 2012 Public Arts Board meeting minutes, as presented.
Approved unanimously.

REVIEW AMENDED BANNER SUBMITTAL

Village Clerk Dylak distributed an e-mail from member Jay Batista regarding his support of the amended banner submittal.

The Board briefly discussed the amended design. The members were in favor of the amended design. The artist will be informed to move forward with the new design.

MISSION STATEMENT

Chair Blum read the Mission Statement of the Grafton Public Arts Board. The Mission Statement reads: "The mission of the Village of Grafton Public Arts Boars is to serve as a resource for Village residents to integrate civil, visual, and performance art to enrich our Community".

OLD BUSINESS

Dave Antoine questioned the funds remaining in the Public Arts Board budget for upcoming projects. He stated that a balance of \$200 was previously identified and he was concerned that there will not be adequate funding for 2012 projects.

Village Administrator Hofland responded that the Board previously received a \$10,000 donation from the Zaun Memorial Foundation. Over 50 percent of those funds were utilized for the 2011 Poetry Path's concrete stamps. Funds will also utilized from the 2011 rain barrel project. The members requested that the Board be provided with monthly updates on the status of the Public Arts Board funds.

The members briefly discussed the Poetry Path program and possible funding options for 2012 projects.

Village Administrator Hofland presented a sample of the guitar base that will be utilized in the downtown. He also presented a sample sponsorship identification plaque. He informed the Board that letters will be sent to potential sponsors this week.

Administrator Hofland also identified a possible name for the guitar project – Guitar.Art

After limited discussion, it was the consensus of the members that Guitar Art, with no period, was a good name for the project.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Antoine informed the members that on Saturday, May 5, the Grafton Lions Club will be sponsoring the Grand Opening of the new Grafton Lions Park on the Village's west side. This park is located south of WIS 60 on Keup Road. The day will include a number of events for adults and children. Local media have been invited, as well as a possible appearance by Wisconsin's First Lady Tonette Walker, who has been invited to attend to promote diabetes awareness.

The Board briefly discussed the Little Libraries project. Information on the project is available on the Village's website. In addition, Chair Blum will be contacting the local newspapers to include an article promoting the project.

Construction criteria for the Little Libraries boxes was briefly discussed. Robert Walker stated that information on how to construct the boxes is available at: [www.LittleFree Library.org](http://www.LittleFreeLibrary.org). It was suggested that the Board set up a table at the Grafton Lions Park grand opening to promote the Little Libraries project.

Chair Blum encouraged the Public Arts Board members to attend Village art events to show support for the public arts projects.

The next meeting of the Public Arts Board is scheduled at 5:15 p.m. on May 14, 2012. Joan Warwick indicated that she will not be able to attend the May meeting.

ADJOURN

Motion by Dave Antoine, seconded by Robert Wagner, to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Approved unanimously.