



**Meeting Minutes  
City Council Chamber  
August 4, 2022 – 7 pm**

**Commission Members Present:** Amy Cook, Kevin Heckman, Jennifer Paoello, Mike Ploszek, Kathy Sabaini, Dana Teichart, Tim Vetang

**Commission Members Absent:** Kent Gallagher Jan Schmuckal

**Also in Attendance:** Cate Tracy, City of Geneva

**Also in Attendance:** Gail Gaboda, David Rice, of Shakespeare in the Park

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Vetang called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. **Amendments to Agenda:** Agenda stood as presented.
3. **Approve Minutes – Special Meeting, June 30, 2022**
  - ✚ Teichart motioned, Cook seconded to approve the June 30 special meeting minutes. These minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Approve Minutes – July 7, 2022**
  - ✚ Teichart presented some verbiage amendments to the July minutes. Ploszek motioned and Saibini seconded for approval of the amendments. The minutes were unanimously approved.
5. **Review Financial Reports - Tracy**
  - ✚ The current Fund Equity Balance is \$31,297.46, there was interest income of \$29.14 for the month of June. About \$2,430.79 was spent on Summer Concert Series posters, Shakespeare in the Park, URL subscription, and storage fees. Following no comments or discussion, the Financial Reports stood as presented.
6. **Shakespeare in the Park Report -Gaboda & Rice**
  - ✚ There was a near-record attendance, possibly up to 800 people, the vendors did well, performance was great. Lots of elderly and young families attended, Mayor Burns' introduction helped get the crowd involved. It seemed to be so successful having it after the Arts Fair. There were awards for "How far travelled" and "best table spread".
  - ✚ Special parking for people with disabilities will be considered for next year. An individual requested a sign language interpreter for the performance. Tracy made substantial efforts to hire an interpreter, but they were unavailable due to short notice. The Commission will consider providing interpreters next year and make earlier arrangements when the contract is signed with the theater company.
  - ✚ To book an interpreter in advance, Gaboda and Rice will need a final script from Goodly Creatures by a specific date for next year.
  - ✚ Next year's performance will be July 29.

## REPORTS

### a. **Bus Stop Art – Schmuckal**

✚ No report.

### b. **Arts Center Update**

✚ No report. We will be removing this from the agenda.

### c. **Art on Fire – Tracy**

✚ The fire hydrant painted with a rainbow and peace sign design, at IL Route 38 and Kirk Rd has been vandalized six times. One person has been arrested. The artist has chosen to repaint the design as needed.

✚ Two more hydrants have been finished.

### d. **RiverPark Summer Music Series – Teichart**

✚ The Illinois Brass Band, The Dixon Bandits, Good Clean Fun Band and Chez Butter performed on Sundays in July. The weather was great. Roughly 350 audience members attended each concert. Teichart was pleased with each performer.

✚ A very successful July of concerts at RiverPark. The concerts grew enormous crowds and enthusiasm.

### e. **Geneva Fine Art Fair Booth – Vetang**

✚ Very successful year, seemed to help being on July 23-24 before Shakespeare in the Park.

✚ The Commissioners were able to promote Shakespeare in the Park at the Arts Fair booth, which likely helped draw the larger audience this year.

### f. **Chalk Art Idea-Heckman**

✚ Heckman connected with Chris Prieve, who is involved with St Charles public chalk art events. He has postponed the event until next August.

### g. **Steeple Walk – Gallagher**

✚ The committee will meet in the fall. December 4 is the slated date for the Walk.

### h. **Commissioner Comments & Ideas –**

✚ Sabaini suggests having “church fans” printed with GCAC’s projects listed, possible coordinating with the Geneva Center for the Arts.

7. **Public Comments** – There were none.

8. **Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn was made by Teichart and seconded by Ploszek.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dana Teichart*  
Secretary

Next Meetings  
September 1, 2022  
October 6, 2022  
November 3, 2022  
December 1, 2022