

**VILLAGE OF GURNEE
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Monday, April 13, 2026
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room A at the Gurnee Village Hall located
at 325 N. O'Plaine Road, Gurnee, IL

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

A Matt called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

B In Attendance: Matt Trujillo, Lynn Granstrom, Roger Eaton, Kirsten Saunders, Ron Arden, April Colette, Fiona Tranter, Lei Mangaran, Angela Baldwin, Jay Stuckwisch

C Absent: Janelle Rominski, Beth Keslinke, Randy Blaser

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

A There was no public comment.

4. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

A March 23, 2026

- Kirsten made a motion to approve the minutes, and Roger seconded the motion.
- There were all "Ayes," no "Nays," and no abstentions. The minutes were approved.

5. Discussion Items

A Art related program announcements

- April mentioned the Grayslake Art Alliance hosting a craft show.
- Matt encouraged the group to attend the WTHS Live Arts Festival coming up on April 24, 2026.
- Fiona talked about a Spring Art / Flower Sale at Liberty Prairie on May 9 and later that day there was a Waukegan Symphony performance in Waukegan.

6. New Business

A Signature event planning

- The group talked about the Gurnee Arts Festival Scheduled for Saturday, August 22, 2026, from 11am to 3pm at Welton Plaza.
- The group discussed the tents and stage options for the event and what the map would look liked.
- The performing arts group shared some ideas of local performances that they could bring in.
- The Marketing group will be working on advertising and a flyer for this event.
- The Public Art group talked about the fine arts vendors that they would like to have at the event.
- The group agreed on doing 15-20 vendors and decided to do a \$75 vendor fee with a \$20 jury application fee. Angela made the motion, and Kirsten seconded. All were in favor.
- The group discussed the event map and that the vendors

would go along the pathway.

B Logo Discussion and final version review

- Lynn presented the final logos and the group decided to go with the logo that had the Village of Gurnee logo colors in it.
- Matt will be adding the logo to the website, and the group talked about getting T-shirts and a tablecloth. Jay volunteered to start on the T-shirt order for the group.

C Gurnee Days involvement

- Matt mentioned to the group that the Gurnee Park District has asked the Gurnee Arts Commission if they would like to have a table at the event. The group decided to monitor the Gurnee Days Art Exhibit inside of Viking Park Dance Hall on Friday and Saturday.
- Matt will put together a volunteer sheet for this event.

D Gurnee Get Togethers

- June 19 and September 11
- Matt discussed the Gurnee Get-Together and how there will be craft opportunities and volunteer opportunities for the Gurnee Arts Commission to participate in.

7. Next Arts Commission Meetings

A May 11, June 8, July 13

- It was mentioned that Matt will not be available for the May 11 Meeting, but Beth and Lynn will lead the meeting.

8. Public Comment

A There was no public comment.

9. Adjournment

A Ron made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Roger seconded. There were all "Ayes," no "Nays," and no abstentions. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29pm.

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