

Murray Arts Advisory Board
Minutes for June 15, 2021

Attendance: Matt Jacobson, Lily Ellingson, Haley Oliphant; Cami Munk, Clark Bullen, Jeff Evans
Staff: Katie Lindquist, Lori Edmunds
Excused: Christy Anderson, Peter Klinge, Nancy Buist

- I. The minutes for May 11, 2021 were passed as written.
- II. Board Reports: There was no chair update.
- III. Staff reports –
 - a. Resident on Display April/May
 - i. City Hall- Lucy Batey has been installed for June – July resident on display. She has 3-D pieces and pottery.
 - ii. Fun Days –Lori reported on the events planned for the day as:
 1. Sunrise Service at 7am with speaker Lt. Sgt. Layne Morris as the speaker and the concert band will provide the music.
 2. The parade has over 60 applicants at this time and will start at 8:30am. Jeff Evens will be one of the parade announcers and has been announcing the parade for over 10 years. He also agreed to be the MC for the daytime events at the gazebo as well.
 3. After the parade, there will be games -balloon toss, money scramble, face painting, and a fishpond and new this year, a balance bike race for little attendees from 11-2pm. The fireman squirt will be at 12:30pm. There will also be a 5K run, volleyball tournament, and food trucks. Lori said the Rotary Club canceled their breakfast due to pavilion #5 not being ready for use so the food trucks will start selling at 6:30 am. The chalk art contest has 33 registered and Matt, Haley, and Peter have agreed to judge at 2pm.
 - iii. Summer Series – Lori reported that the schedule is full and ready to go. There was some confusion about the “Arts Council” and what their role is. Lori said they were their own group that produces the first musical in June. There was discussion about why we financially help the Murray Arts Council and Lori explained that they are their own 501 (c) 3 and the only thing we give them is the use of the amphitheater for 3 weeks. Jeff wondered if we could use those weeks to host other events that would bring in revenue for the City. Lori explained that the Arts Council was created before the Arts Advisory Board and that they were supposed to work together to bring art events to Murray. Jeff asked how many events they produced, and Clark said just one musical but years ago, they would do two. Much discussion surrounded why we help the Arts Council and why we don’t utilize the amphitheater differently. Lori said this is something she can discuss in weekly managers meeting.
 - IV. Business
There was no business to discuss.

V. Other

a. Murray Theater

Lori cautioned the group that as information surfaces to the public about things happening in the City, the group needs to remember that they most likely do not know all the facts so not to jump to any conclusions until all information is available to them. She said the City is still trying to get information from the county about the grant that was cancelled for over \$3 million dollars to rehabilitate the theater. She said she would keep the board updated.

The meeting was adjourned until July 13, 2021 at 6:30pm.