

# **CITY OF GOOSE CREEK CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION**

MEETING – Monday, April 8, 2024, 6:05 PM

## **Present**

- Commission: Chair Commissioner Libby Roerig, Vice Chair Commissioner Sharina Haynes, Commissioner Marsha Hassell, Commissioner Jamie Bierdz, and Commissioner Linda Smith
- Staff: Art Director Barbara Richardson, Recreation Director Crystal Reed, and Parks Director Philip Sweat
- Public: Bertrand Evans-Taylor, Tina Ballentine – Alessandro, and Nathan Alessandro

## **Call to Order**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Commissioner Roerig. Motion made by Commissioner Bierdz Seconded by Commissioner Hassell.

## **Minutes**

- A motion to approve minutes was set by Commissioner Bierdz. Seconded by Commissioner Haynes.

## **Business**

- Commissioner Hassell would like to plan for Mayor Habib to announce poetry month and to appoint a poet laureate for the City of Goose Creek.
- Cultures in the Creek – Commissioner Haynes said the flyers have been finalized and there are 7 participant submissions already. The next zoom meeting will be on May 7<sup>th</sup>. There are plans for African dance. Chucktown Mobile Seafood has been in contact to be a vendor at the event. Commissioner Hassell has a few interested groups that have not signed up yet. Commissioner Bierdz also has 2 possible food trucks lined up. Commissioner Haynes said Commissioner Wiggins has been actively working with the Brazilian Community.
- Juneteenth Youth Symposium – Commissioner Haynes sent flyers in WhatsApp for review. The theme will be activism and resilience through the arts. A T-shirt design contest was suggested. Submissions and decisions will be made by June 1<sup>st</sup>. The Commission will select the winning design. A

zoom meeting is set for April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Commissioner Bierdz asked about table pricing and possible getting a table for Lowcountry Youth Services. There will be no charge for tables. The itinerary is still getting worked out. Commissioner Smith talked about having workshops during the event for youth to create art to be presented.

- Director Reed wanted to follow up on uplifting Forest Lawn Park. They have outdated equipment. Berkeley County is providing funds for a new playground and the order has been placed. There was a community garden that had fallen in disrepair. A new garden has been installed and the community will be having a planting event this week. Relations between the City and the community have built up and the whole collaboration has been very positive. Lake Greenview Park will also be receiving new equipment budgeted by the City of Goose Creek.

### **Art Director's Report**

- The Goose Scavenger Hunt was a huge success. Golden eggs were set out periodically and many participants were excited to find them.
- We are now up to 32 adopted geese. Waiting on 2 shipments
- April 29<sup>th</sup> MASC will come to interview and record about the Adopt a Goose program for the MASC marketing award.
- Sanitation truck art is still in the works. Scheduling is getting worked out now.
- Planning has begun for new murals to start at Montana's and a mural for the Amphitheater.
- Art in the park now has enough participants to move forward for April 12<sup>th</sup>. The possibility of an open mic was discussed. Commissioner Bierdz asked about posting a possible disclaimer giving us the right to mute the mic for any explicit material. Central Creek Park staff will be handling the setup for the event. The event has been posted on Facebook.

### **Public Comments**

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### **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn was set at 6:36pm by Commissioner Hassell, seconded by Commissioner Beirdz