

Town of Farragut—Arts and Beautification Committee
January 17, 2023

Members Present: Abhikhya Gudala, Michele Barker, Lisa Hall, Mayor Williams, Marianne McGill, Diane Duncan

Absent: T.C. Williams, Annie Judkins, Joyce Moran and Marty Rodgers

Town of Farragut Staff: Arleen Higginbotham and Merritt Piper

The meeting was called to order at 11:39 AM by Marianne McGill. The December minutes were distributed to the members. Mayor Williams moved the minutes be approved and Diane Duncan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Merritt gave an update on the progress of the quilt show. She said everything was going well. We are going for a target of 47 quilts. It was suggested that we extend the deadline till Friday, Jan. 27th. Lisa Hall said that she thought it would be better to extend so that we could get as many as possible. The extension was approved. Merritt passed the sign-up sheet around. The criteria of the quilt show was that it be handmade, could be a hand me down (grandmother, distant relative, etc). No political in nature or historical flags (Nazi flags, etc).

Beautification signs were brought in to show what we used and requesting that we use realtor signs instead. Since we will no longer be doing awards at the BOMA meetings or giving plaques, the winners can keep the signage. Conversation regarding a date for the selection of winners was held. Michelle said that anything after April 15th would be good. After long discussion the decision was made that judging would be on May 15th. Pictures would be taken between the 1st and 12th of May. Advertise as soon as we can.

Art/Flower Show was talked about. As suggestion was made that we have an artist to come in and do an actual painting/artwork. Questions as to how this would work. Have an artwork with a floral piece to go with the artwork. More discussion regarding this event at later meetings. We need to have something for July and August. This would be coming out of the FY2024 Budget. This could be held in late spring. End of May before schools are out. More discussion later as to whether this can be opened to the public. Schools out May 23, 2024. Will do Art/Floral Show May 18 & 19, 2024. Michelle motioned and Diane seconded. All approved.

Artfest will be Sunday, September 10, 2023, 1-3 p.m.. We will limit paint this year. Diane would like to have more set up time and need to have more people especially where there are more tables. Also need more step stools for the little ones. Michelle motioned and Diane seconded.

Meeting was adjourned through a motion by Mayor Williams and seconded by Diane Duncan.

Respectfully
submitted,
Dora Taggart,
Secretary/ah

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 20, 2023