

Town of Farragut – Arts and Beautification Committee (ABC)
September 16, 2024

Members Present: Bill Battle, Annie Dittmann, Lisa Hall, Sue-Ann Hansler, Cynthia Howell, Dot LaMarche, TC Williams, Ella Woods (student)

Absent: Marianne McGill, Joyce Moran, Ron Oestreich

Town of Farragut Staff: Arleen Higginbotham, Rachel Malone, Mayor Ron Williams

The meeting was called to order by Lisa at 11:30 a.m. The August minutes were distributed to the members for review and afterwards a motion was made by Ron to approve the minutes with Sue-Ann seconding the motion. Motion carried.

Lisa introduced the next item on the agenda which was a recap of Art Fest; all agreed it was a beautiful day with special kudos given to Rachel (and Arleen) for such a successful event. There was good participation on all activity stations with masks being considered the all-around children's favorite. As far as suggestions for changes/improvements for next year, it was suggested that more paper stickers and rocks be provided and possibly adding a few more step stools to some of the activity stations.

Sue-Ann asked if there were any open spots on the committee for the current term as she had a person in mind to invite. It was determined that there are currently two open spots on the committee since the ABC is chartered to have 12 adult and 1 student/youth representative(s). Sue-Ann would contact this person and provide instructions about applying if she was interested in serving this term.

Freaky Friday: Rachel asked that those members participating plan to arrive closer to 4:00 p.m. to help ensure they can find parking. The event will be held rain or shine on Friday, October 25th from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. at Bob Leonard Park. The committee will be responsible for handing out candy and are encouraged to wear costumes to the event. Those planning to assist should plan to stay until 7:30 p.m. to help clean up. Sue-Ann, Dot, and Marianne will be assisting with early voting and unfortunately cannot participate; TC will be working with Ron at the Mayor's table. Lisa, Annie, and Cynthia stated they planned to come in costume.

Rachel presented a sample logo design to be used on ABC promotional materials (including t-shirts for committee members to wear at ABC events). A t-shirt with the proposed logo was passed around for members to view and suggestions were made as far as the t-shirt color and logo colors. Rachel stated she would have the logo color modified and send out a mock-up to the committee within a few days. It was agreed that a short sleeve t-shirt would be the most practical choice as far as committee apparel. Bill made a motion to approve the logo design presented and Dot seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Celebrate the Season will be held on Thursday, December 5th and will be a 3-hour event held at the Community Center. It was suggested that only white icing for cookie decorating.

The Art/Photo Show will take place in March; Rachel stated she was currently working on plans for layout, prizes and categories and would discuss further at the next committee meeting.

Ron asked the committee to look over the upcoming meeting dates. The November meeting will coincide with Decorating Day on November 22nd. The actual decorating planned for the Community Center is very limited and none this year at Town Hall since it is still under renovation.

Light the Park (not an ABC event) will take place November 25 starting at 5:30 p.m. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served; all were encouraged to attend this fun community event.

Ron motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and Bill seconded.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Howell