

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

Members Present: Bill Battle, Jenni Craddick, Annie Dittmann, Lisa Hall, Sue-Ann Hansler, Cynthia Howell, Dot LaMarche, Marianne McGill, Joyce Moran, Mayor Ron Williams, TC Williams, Ella Woods (student)

Absent: Jeremy Brewster

Town of Farragut Staff: Arleen Higginbotham, Rachel Malone, Ron Oestreich

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

Celebrate the Season Update – Overall opinions expressed by the committee were very positive; a few suggestions for next year were to return to the old punch recipe and to request smaller cookies for decorating (if possible). Attendance was around 200, about the same as the prior year.

Other Business:

The **Art/Photo Show** is scheduled to take place on March 21-23, 2025, at the FCC in the gym. The committee continued discussing various open issues: It was decided the age categories would be adult (18+), youth (13-17) and children (12 and under). There would be a limit of 3 entries per participant with a \$15 fee per adult entry (children's entries would be free, youth \$5). Show set up is scheduled for Friday (3/21), with the show taking place on Saturday (3/22) from 8AM-4PM and Sunday (3/23) from 8AM-1PM. Participants would drop off their art on Wednesday (3/19) and judging would take place late on Friday (3/21) after all entries are set up for display. A closing reception open to the public would take place from 3-4PM on Sunday was also discussed. Specific art/photo categories, prize amounts, and remaining details would be finalized in an upcoming committee meeting.

Ron O. briefly discussed new software that will ensure all TOF committee meeting agendas and minutes of this and all other Town committees are uploaded to the TOF website for digital access by the public.

Ron also mentioned that, in lieu of an annual volunteer breakfast, the Town would be distributing appreciation gifts to Town volunteers instead. Appreciation gifts were handed out by TOF staff at the end of the meeting.

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

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Howell