

Town of Farragut (TOF) – Arts and Beautification Committee (ABC)
April 20, 2026

Members Present: Jenni Craddick, Lisa Hall, Cynthia Gallentine (Howell), Dot LaMarche, Ashley Lynch, Brian Walker, Mayor Ron Williams, Ella Woods (student)

Absent: Sue-Ann Hansler, Darryl Whitehead

Town of Farragut Staff: Kalei Fisher, Arleen Higginbotham, Ron Oestreich

The meeting was called to order by Lisa at 11:30AM. The March 16, 2026, minutes were distributed to the members for review; after review, a motion was made by Mayor Ron to approve the minutes with Dot seconding the motion. Motion carried.

Business Items: None

Discussion Items:

- A. Art and Photography Show Recap – Kalei reported there were 91 applicants with over 200 pieces of art/photography entered and 363 show attendees, approximately three times the participation/attendance as the 2025 show. The committee members shared their praise of Kalei's tremendous work on this event and that it was a big success for the Town/ABC--from the organization and planning, to the set-up and take-down process, to the presentation and layout of the art/photography in the Gym, to the event brochure, and to the food and music. A few suggestions were made for the 2027 show: signage and information about the jurors/judges be on display at the show, more visibility of corporate sponsors (i.e., via banner) on display at the show, begin marketing to local businesses earlier and more aggressively (in the fall) for sponsorships as well as getting the Chamber involved earlier in the year, and the placement of the open space for presentations and musicians to be in the front of the room as opposed to the rear area by the stage. It was also noted the Knox Sentinel's Nancy Anderson attended and photographed the event and its winners.

There were no communications from the public to discuss.

A motion was made by Lisa to adjourn the meeting at 12:00PM with Mayor Ron seconding the motion.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 20th at 11:30AM.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Gallentine (Howell)