MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 AT 2:00 P.M. IN RUGGLES ROOM 1, LOCATED AT 778 N. MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, AZ.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rankin called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Curran, Hagemann, Rankin

Absent:

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Minutes from the May 10, 2018 Regular Meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Curran, seconded by Commissioner Hagemann, and carried (3-0) to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2018 regular meeting.

b. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of the Commissions involvement with the Water/Ways Smithsonian Exhibition, November 17 – December 30, 2018.

Liaison Bryan Hughes stated to the Commission that the Water/Ways Smithsonian Exhibit will have pieces showcased at the Community Center, McFarland State Park and Suter House.

Commissioner Hagemann suggested asking the Florence Schools to contribute artwork from students.

c. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Arts and Culture Programming – Fall 2018.

Liaison Hughes reviewed the Fall schedule of upcoming events that will take place in the Town of Florence.
Chair Rankin asked if the kite festival will still be put on.
Liaison Hughes suggested moving the kite festival to Spring.
Chair Rankin suggested scheduling a day for kids to come and build their box ponies/bulls for the Junior Parada Parade.

d. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Arts and Culture Programming – Spring 2019.

Liaison Hughes mentioned to the Commission that Parks and Recreation Staff is already working on the spring catalog and will need event information from the Art and Culture Commission.
Commissioner Curran stated the String of the Sonoran concert was a hit, but the event will need a bigger venue as Suter House was too small to accommodate attendees.
Liaison Hughes suggested the Strings of the Sonoran concert should be planned for either March or April.
Liaison Hughes informed the Commission that the Main Street Mural will be dedicated at the Road to Country Thunder event.

e. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Main Street Mural Project and Arizona Commission on the Arts grant.

Liaison Hughes asked the Commission to begin recruitment for artists to paint the Main Street Mural.

f. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of future Suter House art exhibits.

Liaison Hughes updated the Commission on tentative events that will be hosted at Suter House.

g. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of public art in Town facilities.

Liaison Hughes informed the Commission that he will be purchasing hardware for artwork that will be displayed at Suter house and other Town facilities for the art contest.
Commissioner Hagemann asked if contest entries were being limited to only paintings and photos?
Liaison Hughes stated it would be up to the Commission of artwork that will be displayed.

h. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of public art in Town Parks, Right-of-Ways and on private parcels.

Liaison Hughes asked the Commission to provide feedback on the display of public art Ms. Nancy Larsen had spoken to them about at the April 12, 2018 Arts and Culture Commission meeting.

i. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Florence Veterans Memorial.

Chair Rankin informed the Commission that the Arts and Culture Commission was requested to assist in choosing a statue for the Florence Veterans Memorial that will be placed in the plaza outside the Community Center.

Chair Rankin asked the Commissioners to come up with a rough sketch/design for Florence Veterans Memorial statue and submit it by October 17, 2018.
Liaison Hughes mentioned the budget for the Florence Memorial statue is estimated to cost $15,000.

j. Discussion of Commission member vacancy and recruitment efforts.

Liaison Hughes asked the Commission to recruit Florence Residents to apply for the Arts and Culture Commission.

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC/BOARD RESPONSE

Call to the Public for Comment is limited to issues within the jurisdiction of the Town of Florence Arts and Culture Commission. Individual commission members may respond to criticism made by those commenting, may ask the staff liaison to review a matter raised, or may ask that a matter be placed on future agenda.

6. CALL TO THE COMMISSION- CURRENT EVENTS ONLY

Commissioner Curran suggested the Veterans Memorial be part of the Chamber of Commerce's Veterans Parade.
Chair Rankin and Commissioner Hagemann asked for more flyers for Open Studio and Drum Circle programming.

7. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Commissioner Hagemann, seconded by Commissioner Curran, and carried (3-0) to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 P.M.

Approved:

Ann Rankin, Chairman

Posted 14th day of December 2018, by Maria Hernandez, Deputy Town Clerk, at 775 North Main Street and 1000 South Willow Street, Florence, Arizona 85132 and at www.florenceaz.gov.