

# Pontiac Arts Commission Meeting Minutes: August 14, 2017

**Called to order** by Chair Mike McGuinness at 5:40 pm

**Commissioners present:**

Mike McGuinness , Sabrina Jefferson, Portia Fields-Anderson, Judy Wilson , Renee Voit-Porath, Dwayne Anthony Lyons. Ex-officio member Mayor Deirdre Waterman attended half-way through meeting. Maria Bermudez came at meeting's end.

Community Members present: Lisa Konikow

**Commissioners absent:** Dr. Carl Byerly, Owen Edwards, Maria Bermudez, Robert Karazim, Mark Stone

**Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Jefferson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes** Motion to approve the May minutes as presented made by Commissioner Lyons, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Motion carried unanimously. June Minutes were submitted to commission, but due to lack of quorum in June no action on minutes was needed. No meeting in July.

**Public Comment:** Lisa Konikow was pleased to announce over 130 artists have registered for Arts Beats and Eats, which begins August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Oakland University Pontiac Partnership Update: No report. Grizz Night is still in works. Date is needed.

Commissioner McGuinness reported that resolutions for Dream Cruise 2016 were presented to U-Pull and Save Auto Parts and, Adler's Towing. Thank you to Renee Voit-Porath for facilitating their presentation.

**Dream cruise/Creative cars**-Rene Voit-Porath - there will not be a Creative Cars activity this year.

**Pontiac Community Calendar** is published.

**Website** promoting Pontiac Arts and Culture is still the project of Melinda Kollins in partnership with Pitch Black Media.

**New Business/Announcements:** Horror Movie is being filmed in Pontiac. The film makers are reaching out to Pontiac residents.

**Mayor Waterman** joined the commission with news of Dream Cruise activities. Also announced that DBA is pursuing the execution of an Artist Colony/mural.

New businesses relocating to Pontiac was shared under New Business.

**Open Floor/Announcements:** Art Experience is having a golf outing on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.** Next meeting is September 11, 2017.