

**VILLAGE OF GURNEE
GURNEE ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES**

DATE: February 27, 2025

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers at the Gurnee Village Hall located at
325 N. O'Plaine Road, Gurnee, IL

1. Call to Order

Mayor Hood called the meeting to order at approximately 6:05 p.m.

A Officials in Attendance: Matt Trujillo, Community Engagement Coordinator. Mayor Tom Hood. Trustees: Karen Thorstenson, Jeanne Balmes, and Cheryl Ross.

2. Welcome

Mayor Tom Hood welcomed everyone to the first Informational Meeting for a new Gurnee Arts Commission to be established and introduced Matt Trujillo as the Staff Liaison for the Commission.

3. New Business

Gurnee Arts Commission Presentation by Staff Liaison

Matt Trujillo presented on the Arts Commission that will be established this year. He shared details about the responsibilities of Commission members and outlined the next steps for getting involved and staying connected. Mr. Trujillo showcased examples of public art and clarified that no decisions would be made at today's meeting; however, attendees are encouraged to share their ideas through a survey.

Commission Member applications will be accepted until April 11.

During the meeting, members of the public raised questions about displaying art at Gurnee businesses and working with area schools and whether that would be of interest to the Commission. Mr. Trujillo replied that ultimately it is up to the Commission, but partnerships will be welcomed to keep the art community involved. Attendees then introduced themselves and discussed their experiences with art.

4. Next Informational Meeting

A Information on the next Informational Meeting on March 10 was shared.

5. Public Comment

A There was no public comment. Questions were asked during the presentation.

6. Adjournment

A The meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm.