



**CITY OF ALLEGAN
Public Spaces Commission
Allegan, MI 49010**

**Allegan City Hall
231 Trowbridge Street
Allegan MI 49010**

Wednesday, February 12, 2020 6:30pm

MINUTES

1. Call to order: Judi McCall called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. Attendance: Rosie Hunter, Judi McCall, Pete Savage, Teressa Galloway, Cyndi Reed, Landria Christman, Korree Johnson

Also present: Joel Dye, Aaron Haskin, Amanda Strickfaden

3. Approval of Minutes from January 8, 2020: Paula motioned, supported by Cyndi, to approve the January 8, 2020 minutes. The minutes were approved.

4. Mural Review and Approval Process Discussion: Paula presented and discussed a draft flow chart for receiving mural permit applications, reviewing and approving murals in the City of Allegan. After discussion about the flow chart, Joel suggested creating a sub-committee with members from the DDA and the Public Spaces Commission to perform the initial mural application review. The subcommittee would then forward the application with comments to the Public Spaces Commission for their recommendation to the City Council. Paula also presented a slide show of several building murals using various techniques in the US and other countries to show how murals can dress up a building and be aesthetically appealing in an urban area.

Joel also discussed the current sign ordinance (Chapter 23 of the City's Code of Ordinances). In chapter 23.4 section 8 the ordinance states: Holiday lights, works of art, and decorations with no commercial message do not require permits. As the City would like to approve murals via a permit system, Pete motioned, supported by Rosie, to recommend striking the words "works of art" from this section. The motion was approved.

Joel would like a draft mural application and the mural approval flow chart to be discussed at the February 24, 2020 City Council pre-session meeting.

5. Cemetery Rules: Joel presented and discussed the changes the cemetery rules subcommittee is recommending to the rules and regulations of the cemetery. Landria, supported by Cyndi, motioned to recommend approval of the suggested changes to the City Council. The motion was approved.
6. Monarch Butterfly Habitat Plantings: This item was tabled until a future meeting.
7. Adjournment: Landria, supported by Cyndi, motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be available at City Hall, 231 Trowbridge Street, Allegan MI 49010 (269) 673-5511.

The City of Allegan is an equal opportunity provider and employer.