



Bolingbrook Arts Council Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 **Scheduled:** 7:00pm **Location:** Village Boardroom

Call To Order: 7:14pm

Bolingbrook Arts Council Mission

The commission shall assist the Mayor and Board of Trustees in developing and implementing projects that will enhance the artistic and cultural aesthetics of the Village. The Commission shall develop and recommend to the Mayor and Board of Trustees projects and programs which will have as their purpose the cultural enhancement of the Village with respect to fine and performing arts.

- Roll Call & Declaration of a Quorum** (To conduct official business, members required:8).
- Quorum Declared** *in attendance without pay at commissioner request

Members	Present	Excused	Absent
Mithra Zaucha -Chair	X		
Allaina Humphreys -ViceChair		X	
Jason Arthur	X		
Mioara Barcutean	X		
Jesse Gaffney	X		
Julie Guida	X		
Richard Humphreys		X	
Janice Kessl		X	
Ocie Koonce -Treasurer	X		
Kathleen Lamb-Secretary		X	
Linda Lawrence	X		
Lea Moore-Beulah	X		
Bobbie Speer	X		
Grace Tucker		X	

AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVAL

- Motion to Approve Virtual Attendance for Meeting - Requested by NA**
 - Motion made by: _____ Motion seconded by: _____
- Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda (Voice Vote) Motion Granted: 2/17/26 Agenda: Adopted**
 - Motion made by: Bobbie _____ Motion seconded by: Jason _____
- Motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes (Voice Vote) Motion Granted: 2/3/26 Minutes: Approved**
 - Motion made by: Bobbie _____ Motion seconded by: Julie _____

OFFICERS REPORT:

- **Mithra:** Charlene Griggs has submitted an application to rejoin the Arts Council. Larry still needs to complete his paperwork.
- **Ocie:** Treasurer's report; Please send in your receipts to Ocie as the fiscal year is coming to an end. The last day for spending this year's budget is April. The artist Carlton was paid for his work, and a check for the Blues Jam was submitted.



SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Lea & Rich & Mithra

- ❖ **Art in the Windows:** Current "Arts in the Window" exhibit features Bolingbrook High School art.
 - Need to rework the calendar and put a call out to artists (Earth Day);
 - We still need posters for the doors for upcoming exhibits.
- ❖ **Black History Month Event-** Great job to everyone with the Black History Month– the artist, the commissioners, and Allaina for the ad. Carlton sold artwork at the event.
- ❖ **Earth Day Event @ Hidden Oaks** (Sat, April 25, 2-6pm)-Call for artists will be sent out.
- ❖ **Arts On the Row:** Dates are 6/11 (Boy Band Night) 7/9 (Styx tribute) 8/ 13 (Jolly Ringwalds 80's). Need an event leader for each event to create a sign-up & ensure we have coverage.

ADAPTIVE & ACCESSIBLE ARTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Allaina & Grace

PERFORMING ARTS COMMITTEE (Theatre Arts/ Music): Co-chairs: Jesse & Kathleen

- ❖ **Blues Lab Jam:** Wednesday the 18th. Let's see how many commissioners can attend and bring a friend!
- ❖ **BHS/community theatre partnership:** Brightside ASL for the BHS show. The committee is having difficulty securing an ASL interpreter. The library posted about the community tickets program.

COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Linda & Julie

- ❖ **Black history month:** 2/7 (2pm-5pm)- The Black History Month table event was successful.
- ❖ **Arbor Day Event-** (Sat, April 25 (11-2pm) The council can use the tunnel area behind the Village Hall for the Arbor Day event. Discussion points for the Arbor Day craft included face self-portraits or tree/nature coloring sheets. Discussion regarding different posters for the tunnel. The village will print posters & we will frame them.

DIGITAL DESIGN COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Allaina & Jason

- ❖ **WEBSITE:** Page on the website for AIW details still needed. Arts Council banner for the door window at the Promenade. Artist video is still in the works.

New Business: N/A

Announcements: Tellin Tales Theater Performance: 3/6: Mrs. Murphy's 7pm & 3/20 & 3/21: NEIU Stage Center @ 7pm

ADJOURNMENT: (7:55pm Voice Vote)

- Motion to Adjourn **Motion Granted** - Bobbie & Linda

NEXT ART COUNCIL MEETINGS 3/3/2026

Minutes taken by Kathleen Lamb & Mithra Zauchal

Approved by Council on: 3/3/2026



FOLLOW UPS

Follow up Item	Responsible Person(s)	Deadline/Status
Change "Jason" to "Larry" in previous meeting notes	Kathleen	Ongoing
Submit all outstanding expense receipts	Everyone	April deadline
Rework the calendar for "Arts in the Window" exhibits	Lee/Rich	Ongoing
Send out a call for artists (Earth Day, general schedule)	Lee/Rich	Ongoing
Connect with Mike Seela at Park District (benches/mural)	Mithra	Ongoing
Reach out to old contact/library to find ASL interpreter	Jesse	Ongoing
Look into posters for the tunnel event	Jesse/Jason	Ongoing
Coordinate regarding artist videos	Grace/Jason	Ongoing
Plan a field trip to the New Life youth house space	Jesse	Ongoing

2025-2026 Bolingbrook Arts Council Sub-committees & Chairs

Sub-committees	Chairs	Budget	Projects	Commissioners
Visual Arts	Co-chairs: Lea & Rich	\$11,550	Art In the Windows, Arts In the Tunnel, Arts Expo, Paint-a-hydrant, Grants for public art	Mithra, Lea, Rich, Mioara, Janice, Kathleen, Grace, Allaina, Jason
Adaptive Arts	Co-chairs: Allaina, Mithra & Grace	\$8,000	Adaptive Equipment Program, Glow Art/CSR Arts programs	Allaina, Mioara, Mithra, Grace, Kathleen
Performing Arts	Co-chairs: Jesse & Kathleen	\$6,700	Blues Jam Lab, Internships, Showcases, Music programs, Theatre Arts Grants	Mithra, Grace, Jesse, Kathleen, Linda, Julie
Community Events	Co-chairs: Linda & Julie	\$3,500	Village Picnic, Halloween Walk, Festival of Lights, Parade, Black History Month	Linda, Ocie, Rich, Julie, Mioara, Bobbie, Jesse, Jason
Digital Design & Operations	Co-chairs: Allaina & Jason	\$750	Website, Social Media, Pictures/Video, Forms, Artist Directory/ Press Release	Allaina, Rich, Grace, Lea, Jason, Kathleen