



Cuyahoga County Monument Commission

Minutes

January 26, 2024

8:30 AM

County Administration Building, Room 5-006

Call to Order – Meeting of Friday, January 26, 2024

Patrick Hewitt called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. Roll call showed a quorum.

Attending –

Dr. Judith G. Cetina

Patrick W. Hewitt

Joseph Nanni

Jill Paulsen

Matt Rymer

Absent –

Patti Choby-via virtual

Juan Quirarte-via virtual

Guests –

Annette Linden, County Planning

1. Minutes – November 17, 2023 meeting minutes approved. On a motion by Joseph Nanni, seconded by Judith Cetina, to accept the minutes as written, the vote was unanimously approved.
2. Public Comments – No Public Comments.
3. Election of Officers – The nominations were opened for the Chair position. Patrick Hewitt was nominated, and he consented. With no other nominations, it was closed. A motion was made by Dr. Judith Cetina, seconded by Joseph Nanni, with a roll call, the vote was unanimous.

The nominations were opened for the Vice Chair position. Dr. Judith Cetina was nominated, and she consented. With no other nominations, it was closed. A motion was made by Patrick Hewitt, seconded by Matt Rymer, with a roll call, the vote was unanimous.

4. Monuments Assessment & Maintenance Program: Contracting Updates – Matt Rymer reported that the contract with McKay Lodge has been submitted to the Law Department for approval and negotiations of the contract terms, conditions, fee, and scope. Matt Rymer will follow the contract through the process and keep

everyone informed. Mr. Rymer continued that the budget for this contract was originally in the 2022-2023 year. In working with the Office of Management & Budget, it has been assured that Public Works funding will be available to cover this contract.

5. Superman Statue Updates – Joseph Nanni reported on the current status for the Superman Statue. There is currently a need for more funding, the Cleveland Foundation has joined to assist in helping to raise funds. Mr. Nanni shared a mockup photo of what the area near the convention center could look like to take to DC Comics for approval. Then an application can be made for the Monuments Commission and to the City of Cleveland Planning Commission. An invitation will be extended to the Superman Statue applicants for one of our upcoming meetings.
6. Appointments Update – Dr. Judith Cetina, Jill Paulsen, and Juan Quirarte appointments are up at the end of February, and new appointments are in process.
7. Good and Welfare – No good and welfare today.
8. Adjournment – With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Jill Paulsen, seconded by Joseph Nanni, the Commission unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.