



# City of Appleton

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Appleton Public Arts Committee

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Wednesday, April 22, 2026

8:00 AM

Council Chambers, 6th Floor

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### Special Meeting

1. Call meeting to order

**Chair Mische called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.**

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll call of membership

*Riesterer appeared virtually and participated via Zoom.*

**Present:** 4 - Mische, Bauer, Riesterer and Laste

**Excused:** 2 - Fernandez and Hoekstra

*Others present:*

*Jed W. Engel, 1745 N. Superior Street*

*Jennifer Stephany, Appleton Downtown, Inc. & Creative Downtown Appleton, Inc.*

4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

[26-0480](#)

APAC Minutes from 4-1-26

**Attachments:** [APAC Minutes from 4-1-26.pdf](#)

**Bauer moved, seconded by Laste, that the Minutes be approved. Roll Call.**

**Motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Mische, Bauer, Riesterer and Laste

**Excused:** 2 - Fernandez and Hoekstra

5. **Public Hearing/Appealances**

[26-0481](#)

Public Participation

**Jennifer Stephany spoke on the proposed Houdini images to be placed in the Welcome Tower in Houdini Plaza.**

## 6. Action Items

[26-0482](#)

Review edits to images that were selected at the April 1, 2026 meeting for the "Year of Houdini Theme" to be displayed in the Welcome Tower in Houdini Plaza at 121 W. College Avenue (Tax Id #31-2-0065-00)

**Attachments:** [Houdini Welcome Tower Memo For APAC 4-22-26 .pdf](#)  
[Compiled Edited Houdini Photos.pdf](#)

*The Committee reviewed the edits to the photos chosen at the April 1 meeting. The Committee decided to add black borders to the left and right sides of Photos #1, #2A, and #16A, make the name "Harry" appear clearer on Photo #19A, and replace Photo #38 with #20 once edited to add a black border on the left and right sides. The Committee stated that all the photos should have a black border on the left and right sides.*

**Mische moved, seconded by Bauer, to amend the motion from the April 1, 2026 meeting (to select the following photos with placement noted per location side and organized from top to bottom: NW: 37, 5A, 17; NE: 4 (alternate 8), 26, 16A; SW: 1, 38, 2A; and SE: 19A, 6, 30 and for the images to be crop squared, enhance the resolution, and add a black border) to replace photo 38 with photo 20 and edit the photo to add a black border on the left and right sides and make other edits to the previously chosen photos including adding black borders to the left and right sides of Photos #1, #2A and #16A and making the name "Harry" clearer on Image #19A.**

**Aye:** 4 - Mische, Bauer, Riesterer and Laste

**Excused:** 2 - Fernandez and Hoekstra

## 7. Information Items

[26-0483](#)

Resignation of Beu Vang from the Appleton Public Arts Committee

**Attachments:** [Resignation from Beu Vang.pdf](#)

**The resignation of Beu Vang was presented.**

## 8. Adjournment

**Mische moved, seconded by Bauer, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 a.m. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Mische, Bauer, Riesterer and Laste

**Excused:** 2 - Fernandez and Hoekstra