

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** William J. Mueller, President and Board of Trustees

**FROM:** David A. Hulseberg, Director of Community Development

**DATE:** August 18, 2005

**SUBJECT:** **Downtown Public Art Program Proposal- Tribute Park**

### **BACKGROUND**

In May 2005, a Downtown Public Art Program was established per the actions of the Economic and Community Development Committee and the Village Board of Trustees. This program allows works of art to be placed throughout the Downtown TIF and St. Charles Road TIF 1 West Districts. There is no limit on either the maximum project cost or the share of costs to be borne by the Village.

### **PROPOSAL**

Staff currently has a proposal for a sculpture to be placed at the Volunteer Plaza at the southwest corner of Main Street and St. Charles Road. Bud Swanson, a local artist, is creating the piece as shown on the attached picture.

The total cost of the sculpture is \$24,000. Private donations to cover one-half the cost of the project are now being collected, and a commitment to match the private funds for this project is requested.

### **ACTION REQUESTED**

At the August meeting, the Economic and Community Development Committee approved a recommendation to the Village Board to authorize \$12,000 for the purchase of the proposed artwork..