

ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
November 27, 2018

Attendees: Jennifer Drake, Amy Ferguson, Deanna Goodlander, Bev Moss, Ali Shute, John Bruning, Teresa Runge, Isabelle Bartosh, Amy Evans

Guests: Bette Ammon, Jacob Garringer

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Drake called the meeting to order.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION: There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

REVIEW/CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Commissioner Shute, seconded by Commissioner Runge, to approve the Minutes of October 23, 2018. Motion carried.

REVIEW/CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT: Motion by Commissioner Goodlander, seconded by Commissioner Shute, to approve the October, 2018 Financial Report. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

There were none.

STAFF COMMENTS:

There were none.

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION:

New Arts Commissioners Bev Moss and Isabelle Bradley were welcomed to the commission. Commissioner Bradley commented that she recently moved to the area from Chesapeake, Virginia.

“INSPIRED” PUBLIC ART UPDATE:

Ms. Ferguson said that Mr. Tymesen had a phone conversation with Mr. Sanchez last week. Mr. Sanchez indicated that he was working steadily and progress is being made. He is still doing some welding on the piece and anticipates powder coating in December and is hoping for completion in January. Ms. Ferguson distributed copies of a recent article about Jason Sanchez in the CDA Magazine and noted that the photo of the “Inspired” art piece was not current.

“HONEY BUMBLE” UPDATE:

Ms. Ferguson said that the “Honey Bumble” statue has been temporarily removed from its location so that the artist can lengthen the stem by 2 feet and add another leaf (which would act as support), at the request of the Donor. The City Engineer has agreed that the changes would be beneficial as it would make the statue more visible and also prevent someone from trying to sit

on it. Chairman Drake commented that the statue appeared to be safe in that the petals and leaves were rounded.

REQUEST FOR ARTS COMMISSION FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT OF MUDGY & MILLIE BOOK PAGE DISPLAYS LOCATED NEXT TO STATUES:

Bette Ammon, Library Director, presented a request for Arts Commission approval of the replacement of the book pages that are located next to each Muddy & Millie statue. She noted that over the past 10 years, the pages have faded. Monte McCully, Trails Coordinator, obtained a quote for the redo of the pages in the amount of \$2,354.43.

Chairman Drake noted that the current fiscal year's budget includes \$15,000 for any necessary maintenance. Commissioner Goodlander commented that the artist, Terry Lee, takes great pride in his work and has maintained the Muddy & Millie statues at his own expense. Next fall he is planning on redoing the patina on the statues as the statues are greatly "loved" and the patina has worn off. Commissioner Goodlander said that Mr. Lee has never charged the City for maintenance of the statues and she thinks that he would be thrilled to see the commission moving forward with replacing the story pages.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Goodlander, seconded by Commissioner Shute, to authorize the expenditure of \$2,354.43 as quoted by iZone Imaging from the Arts Maintenance Fund for replacement of the Muddy & Miller story pages. Motion carried.

ARTS COMMISSION FACEBOOK PAGE:

Ms. Ferguson said that she asked Mr. Tymesen about the suggestion to create an Arts Commission Facebook page. Mr. Tymesen recommended that any postings for the Arts Commission be posted through the City's main Facebook page. He noted that the City would like to maintain consistent branding and minimize the number of Facebook pages associated with the City. Ms. Ferguson commented that Arts Commission calls to artists, press releases, etc. are always posted to the main Facebook page and website.

COMMISSIONER EXPECTATIONS & STANDARDS SURVEY UPDATE:

Chairman Drake said that she is still compiling questions for the survey and wanted to wait until the new members are on board to send it out. The survey will hopefully go out in December.

APPROVAL OF TERRY LEE'S "THE IDAHO LUMBERJACK":

Ms. Ferguson explained that while the commission has been supportive of the American Worker series, there are no official motions in the minutes. She noted that Mr. Tymesen recommends that the commission approve each piece as it is presented, rather than the entire series.

Commissioner Goodlander noted that Mr. Lee is going to start making the molds within the next couple of weeks and getting the statue to the foundry. She said that Mr. Lee finds the sponsors for the work and donates his labor, and that he has a sponsor for the next statue in the series, "The Idaho Miner." She also noted that Mr. Lee maintains the pieces.

Commissioner Goodlander commented that she disagreed with Mr. Tymesen's recommendation that the commission approve each piece as they are presented. She noted that it takes a lot of

time and energy to get sponsors and it is important to know that there is a location for the pieces. It takes nearly a year to complete a statue and you don't want to do the work if you don't know it is going to be anywhere. She noted that in addition to having a donor lined out for the miner sculpture, there are also a group of women that are working on the concept for the female sculpture. Commissioner Shute commented that the commission has assumed that the statues are going to be a collection of historical figures and that Mr. Lee has invested a great deal of himself into this project. Chairman Drake said that in her mind, that location is reserved for those pieces and there is no way that she would approve another piece of art to go there.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Shute, seconded by Commissioner Bruning, that the Arts Commission approve the “American Worker” series by artist Terry Lee, including the “Idaho Lumberjack”, “Idaho Miner”, and the 5th potential female statue. Motion carried.

“CINDUNIA” DAMAGE UPDATE:

Ms. Ferguson noted that the artist was emailed and sent photos of the damaged petal. The artist felt that the damage was minor and that someone local could complete the repairs. He also sent detailed repair instructions and instructions on how to re-patina the repaired petal. As a result, the Street Department removed the damaged “flower,” repaired it, and reinstalled it. Ms. Ferguson provided a photo of the repair to the commission and noted that she will also send the photo to the artist.

NAME PLATE FOR “REVENGE OF THE ANTS”

Ms. Ferguson noted that since the “Revenge of the Ants” had been purchased by the Arts Commission, the ArtCurrents plaque next to the statue was no longer accurate. She recommended that she be authorized to order a new, updated silver plastic plaque for the piece, using the welded stand that is already in place.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Shute, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to authorize staff to purchase an updated silver plastic plaque for the “Revenge of the Ants” sculpture. Motion carried.

CHIEF MORRIS ANTELOPE RELOCATION UPDATE:

Commissioner Bruning said that he had exchanged emails with Tim Martin, Streets & Engineering Director, and they are pretty much finished with the Leaf pickup program. Mr. Martin thinks that they can get the foundation in and move the statue, but it would be completely weather dependent, and snow removal would take priority.

REVIEW OF ARTS COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Chairman Drake reviewed the current Arts Commission subcommittee assignments. Three new subcommittees were added: City Hall Entrance, Four-Corners Entrance, and Parking Garage.

The current list of subcommittees and members is as follows:

Mayor's Awards in the Arts

Ali Shute, Chair
Trudy Elliott (Advisor)
Teresa Runge

Utility Box Beautification

Roberta Larsen, Chair
Derek Kahler
Bev Moss

ArtCurrents

Teresa Runge, Chair
Ali Shute
Isabelle Bradley

Arts Commission Applicant Review

Jennifer Drake, Chair
Amy Evans

Riverstone Public Art/Entrance

Roberta Larsen, Chair
Amy Evans
Teresa Runge
John Bruning

Performing Arts

David Groth, Chair
Ali Shute

Community Arts

Jennifer Drake, Chair
Teresa Runge

Ped/Bike Brochure for Art

Ali Shute, Chair
Bev Moss

Mural Projects

Jennifer Drake, Chair
Amy Evans
Bev Moss

Library Bike Racks

Deanna Goodlander, Chair
Bette Ammon (Library Director)
Jennifer Drake

Chief Morris Antelope – Landscape

John Bruning, Chair

Art on the Islands

Ali Shute, Chair
John Bruning

Seltice Way Roundabouts

Teresa Runge, Chair
David Groth
Ali Shute
Lee Ann Campbell (CDA Tribe)

Budget

Jennifer Drake, Chair
Ali Shute

New Member Training/Policies

Jenn Drake, Chair
Ali Shute

Public Art Plaques

Ali Shute, Chair
Teresa Runge
Bev Moss

City Hall Entrance

Derek Kahler, Chair
Amy Evans
David Groth

4-Corners Entrance

John Bruning, Chair
Jenn Drake
Amy Evans

Parking Garage

Jenn Drake, Chair
Ali Shute

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Goodlander commented that it was important that the Arts Commission spend the money that is contributed by ignite, or it is possible that they will decide not to continue to contribute. She noted that the money has to be spent in the district where the money came from. Commissioner Shute asked if some of the money could be invested in art education or performing arts, etc. Commissioner Goodlander said that actually being able to see pieces of art is important and there are some fairly stringent regulations. She noted that the new River District will have more funds in the future and will also have a water aspect to it and there could be some opportunity for public art along the river. The Lake District will be sunsetting in 2021. Commissioner Goodlander suggested public art on the new Parking Structure. Chairman Drake will talk to Mr. Tymesen about it.

Councilmember Evans suggested that Commissioner Bradley may want to be involved in the selection process for a piece of art as it is a fun way for a student to be involved and to be a part of the history of Coeur d'Alene.

Arts Commission Applicant Review: Chairman Drake said that they can't fill more than two new seats in a calendar year (with the exception of the ignite cda appointment). She will check to see when they will be able to fill the other vacancies.

Library Bike Racks: Chairman Drake noted that the lower rack will be installed in the spring or summer.

Art on the Islands: Commissioner Shute will check in with Ken Roberge and bring the information back to the commission at the next meeting. Chairman Drake suggested that they may want to get public comment regarding the project. Commissioner Shute said that she thinks part of the concern is that it is donated art, so you aren't getting a piece, necessarily, that was created for that spot. It makes more sense to her to have the art in the islands actually created for that location so that it fits.

Seltice Way Roundabouts: Commissioner Runge said that the artist contract was approved by the City Council and Mr. Tymesen did an amazing job of presenting the entire process. There was no discussion and one councilmember voted against it. The artist has signed the contract and is moving forward. Councilmember Evans thanked Ms. Ferguson for her part in the presentation to council.

New Member Training/Policies: Chairman Drake noted that she will forward the survey questions to Commissioner Shute for her review.

Public Art Plaques: Commissioner Shute commented that North Idaho Trophy was identified at the last meeting as a great option. She will design a plaque and will present the design to the commission at the next meeting and discussion a plan for implementation. Ms. Ferguson noted that the previous plaques have been approximately 5" x 7".

Chairman Drake said that there will be no meeting of the Arts Commission in December. Subcommittees are highly encouraged to meet and discuss upcoming projects.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Commissioner Bruning, seconded by Commissioner Shute, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Ferguson
Executive Assistant