

**MINUTES APPROVED BY THE PAC ON JULY 14, 2016**

**Council Liaison Present:** Richard Kidd

**Staff Present:** Tom Gamble, Colleen Winters

**Commission Members Present:** Kathy Broom, Kathleen Leatham, Linda Taylor, Dana Zurcher, Laura Frye, Pat Truax

**Guest(s):** Roylene Read, Valley Art Association

**Absent:** Emily Lux and Dana Lommen

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** By Dana Zurcher at 5:05pm.

2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** N/A

3. **APPROVAL OF PAC MEETING MINUTES:** Motion to approve last month's minutes as written made by Pat, seconded by Laura. Motion carried.

4. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:** N/A

5. **DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS:**

- A. **Sidewalk Art Festival mini-grant:** Presented by Roylene Read of Valley Art. Roylene outlined activities which will occur. Funding to pay for the Balloon Artists and a high school band to perform during the festival was requested in the amount of \$500 (see application). Roylene also shared that attendance was up 15% last year and they may allow two artists per square this year to accommodate more people. Their motto is "Art is For Everyone". Pat moved and Kathleen seconded. Motion passed.
- B. **Art in the Park:** Dana Z. passed a copy of the budget for the sculpture. We need to sell more engraved bricks in order to attain the amount needed to pay the artist. Tom and Dana Z. made a trip out to Ben Dye's studio to see the sculpture and to determine what would really be needed and appropriate in terms of a walkway. The Dedication Event/ Arts Festival is scheduled for July 9 at the sculpture and in Lincoln Park. The Festival is slow to attract artists due to the late start. Again Dana called for fundraising ideas to meet our goal. Dana said that a dedication event would be the digging of the hole to place the base for the sculpture. Tom explained the process of laying the infrastructure for the sculpture and the walkway.
- C. **Meet the Artist Dinner with Ben Dye Feedback:** The dinner was held at the home of Robin and Dick Tenbroeck in Gales Creek. Approximately 30 guests enjoyed a delightful "Prairie Picnic" and then were treated to a very interesting and entertaining presentation

by Ben Dye. The group was very intrigued by his process, his history, and the sculpture being created for Forest Grove. The dinner earned \$1,350.

**D. CEP Grant 2016:** Dana Z. announced that our CEP Grant for 2016, designated to pay for the infrastructure of the walkway and sculpture, was granted in the amount of \$4875.

**E. Coloring Book:** A discussion was held regarding creating a large coloring book as a fundraiser. Dana Lommen will meet with Emily Lux and Pat Truax to begin the planning of this effort.

**F. Walking Tour:** Linda Taylor said that she had received some of the narrative for the Art Walk. It is hoped that the first walk date can be firmed up soon. In the future we can add additional display areas in other parts of the downtown area, as our public art inventory expands.

**G. Professional Development Mini-grant:** Kathleen presented an idea for expansion of the mini-grant concept to include the opportunity for individual artists to apply for assistance to mount their first “show”. This could include framing, which is a daunting expense, particularly early in one’s career. Specific parameters will be outlined for this “artist mini-grant”. Linda stated that she felt framing was a customary expense and we may not want to get involved in doing that, although the idea is good and should be looked at.

**6. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

A. **Finance Report:** The finance report was reviewed and some questions regarding discretionary funds were clarified by Colleen and Dana Z.

**7. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS: N/A**

**8. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:**

Colleen and Tom announced that the Parks Master Plan would be presented to interested citizens on Wednesday, June 15, at the Library in the Rogers Room.

**9. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMUNICATIONS: N/A**

**10. ADJOURNMENT:** Dana Zurcher adjourned the meeting at 6:15pm. The next regular meeting will be July 14, 2016, in the Rogers Room of the Forest Grove Library.

Respectfully Submitted by Emily Lux, as recorded by Kathleen Leatham.