



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 18, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Kim Steen at 6:06 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Kim Steen, Chair
Lore Christopher, Vice Chair
Derek Bish
Marilyn Wood
Kat Thoreson
Felicia Squires
Katie Klein, Student Committee Liaison

Absent:

Laura Reid

Staff Present:

Adam Brown, City Manager
Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder

Council Present:

Shaney Starr

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Marilyn Wood and Derek Bish introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Felicia Squires moved for approval of the May 2023 Minutes. Derek Bish seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Bish, and Wood in favor with Reid absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: Katie Brady and Lisa Cejka with the Parks Board spoke about legal graffiti. They suggested some art options with the Skateboard Park or bridge by having something that's in the public eye so artists can showcase their art. They believe these considerations should come to the Arts Commission and they concurred. Lore Christopher would like the Homan's to speak at an Art Committee meeting. They would like to eventually partnership with the Keizer Art Association and Chamber or the next ArtFest.

GALLERY DISPLAY SCHEDULE | August-September ~ Iris Festival/Keizer Fest Annual Display | October-November ~ Native American Heritage Month Display in the case: still need something in the north and south galleries. **| December-January ~ Mid Valley Quilt Guild:** will reach out to art quilt folks as in the past.

STUDENT/EMERGING ARTIST DISPLAY: *Introduced out of order.* Commission discussed how we could get quite a few art pieces from these artists because they're small pieces.

UTILITY BOX PAINTING UPDATE: Adam Brown checked the two utility boxes on River Road and both are almost the same size. Aspect ratio obtained to submit painting and sees no barriers with box wraps. Planning to have one box at every intersection. Need artist to submit once we decide the program design. One person submitted abstract Iris information and Commission already accepted his design. They would like to see a sample.

Can also talk with the Keizer Art Association and include the McNary kids. They should have a few parameters like themes for craftsmanship. Kat Thoreson will compile something for next month.

ROSALIE'S COWS SIGN & SCULPTURE – NEED TO ASK PARKS ADVISORY BOARD FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL FOR PLACEMENT OF THE SIGN AND/OR

SCULPTURE: Lore Christopher moved to table the Motions for items 6, 7, and 8 to the September 19th meeting. Kat Thoreson seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Bish, and Wood in favor with Reid absent.
Lore Christopher moved to meet with Smith & Steel as fabricator and some other artists to determine if it's feasible to put 'Insta-Art' cows near the sign. Derek Bish seconded to explore the art of 'Insta-Art.' Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Bish, and Wood in favor with Reid absent.

BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES ASPHALT ART: Commission discussed asphalt art on roadways, crosswalks, intersections, and vertical infrastructure that includes utility boxes. Project must improve roadway and bicyclist safety. Requirements are to make crosswalks more visible and must have broad community involvement. This is a competitive grant. Must have everything planned months in advance, such as cost and who will paint it. We can save \$350 per utility box. This can be an ongoing program. Felicia Squires will look further into this project.

OTHER BUSINESS: Kim Steen will be reporting to Council on August 7th.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 19, 2023

Minutes approved: 09/19/2023