



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 17, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Kim Steen at 6:00 p.m.
Attendance was noted as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Kim Steen, Chair
Beth Melendy, Vice Chair
Laura Reid
Michele Roland-Schwartz (via phone)
Felicia Squires
Lore Christopher

Absent:

One Position Vacant

Staff Present:

Adam Brown, City Manager
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION: Jane Herb, representing the Volunteer Coordinating Committee, thanked Commissioners for their dedication and commitment to the City and distributed cookies as a token of appreciation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Beth Melendy moved to approve the March 2022 minutes. Lore Christopher seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Reid, Roland-Schwartz, Squires, Christopher and Steen in favor with one position vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: Bill Klein and his daughter Katie explained that Katie is interested in serving as liaison to the Arts Commission and wanted to come to a meeting to see what it was like.

GALLERY DISPLAY SCHEDULE: Lore Christopher moved to approve the pieces submitted by artists Tara Choate and Sandra Pearce for the June-July display period. Beth Melendy seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Melendy, Reid, Roland-Schwartz, Squires and Christopher in favor with one position vacant.

GRANT EFFORTS: Rosalie's Cows: Michele Roland-Schwartz announced that a letter of interest is due for the Miller Grant by June 15. If the project is accepted, a full proposal will need to be submitted by August 5. If that is too short of time period, there is another option available in October. She indicated that she could have the June 15 letter done in time.

PURCHASE ART WITH FY2021-22 REMAINING FUNDS: Discussion took place regarding the funds available with Lore Christopher indicating that she felt the amount was wrong and that there were no funds remaining. She requested that an accounting of what the Arts Commission has 'in the bank' be included in each meeting packet. City

Manager Adam Brown indicated he would follow up on this request. Discussion took place on how to choose the art and establishing criteria with commissioners deciding to review the pieces and choose five, with staff to tabulate the choices and have a compilation ready for Commission to review at a special meeting for that purpose to be held on June 6 at 5:30.

OPAL FRICKE AWARD DISCUSSION: Kim Steen will connect with Sue Horn at Avamere to set up a visit with Opal. Staff reported that Bill Hopkins has agreed to film the presentation at Avamere and put it on a device that can be shown at a December Council meeting.

PGE CONTACT REGARDING UTILITY BOX PAINTING: Mark Kohley, McNary Art Instructor, has indicated that his students are interested in painting area utility boxes. Lore Christopher will contact PGE after the budget has been finalized.

EAGLE SCULPTURE – CONNECT WITH SCHOOLHOUSE SQUARE OWNER: Lore Christopher reported that the Budget Committee had approved \$15,000 for purchase of the Cold, Wet Eagle but that the vote was not unanimous and it would be prudent for Commissioners to attend the Budget approval Council meeting on June 6 to explain the reasoning behind purchasing this piece rather than just paying the yearly stipend.

STUDENT/EMERGING ARTIST DISPLAY: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Lore Christopher will report to Council on June 6.

Lore Christopher announced that the Keizer Art Association is working to bring art to seniors. Grants are being explored to do this. It is hoped that through this effort there will be enough submissions to have a 'Senior Art Show' in 2024.

Laura Reid suggested that perhaps the Arts Commission should have some information/outreach materials available at the upcoming McNary Holiday Bazaar. She volunteered to get information from the Booster Club who puts on the event.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 6, 2022

Minutes approved: 07-26-22