



MINUTES
KEIZER PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
Tuesday, December 19, 2023
Keizer Civic Center ~ Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Kim Steen at 6:01 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Kim Steen, Chair
Lore Christopher, Vice Chair
(via phone)
Laura Reid
Marilyn Wood
Kat Thoreson
Katie Klein, Student Committee
Liaison

Absent:

Derek Bish
One Open Position

Staff Present:

Dawn Wilson, City Recorder

Staff Absent:

Adam Brown, City Manager

2. Approval of Minutes

a. September 19, 2023 Minutes

Lore Christopher moved for approval of the September 2023 Minutes. Laura Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

b. November 21, 2023 Minutes

Lore Christopher moved for approval of the November 2023 Minutes. Laura Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

3. Gallery Display Schedule

a.

- ***December-February ~ Christina Patterson's Actual Mini-Quilt from her 2023 Holiday Card***

The Commission reviewed pieces submitted for display prior to the meeting.

Lore Christopher moved to accept Christina Patterson's actual mini-quilt from the 2023 Holiday Card Contest and the 2023 card contest submissions to be displayed in the glass case from December through end of February. Laura Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Bish, Reid, Wood and Thoreson in favor with Bish

Contest to be displayed in Display Case

• February-March ~

• April-May ~ Joel Nickel (request sent on 11/02/23

to receive pictures of artwork by 03/05/24 - confirmed)

• June-July ~ Gary Hlastals (request sent on 11/02/23

to receive pictures of artwork by 05/08/24)

• August-September ~ Iris Festival/KeizerFe st Annual Display

• October-November ~ Native American Indian Display

absent and one open position.

Discussion ensued on other art to be displayed in February and March. The Commissioners asked Deputy City Recorder Dawn Wilson to see if Guild Quilts would be willing to leave their quilts displayed one or two more months, ask Artist Joel Nickel if he would be willing to have his art displayed one month earlier, and ask Deborah Sisco if she has art to display in February and March.

4. Review of Arts Commission Budget

a. No Expenses for Fiscal Year 2023-24. Balance is \$6,000.

The Commissioners discussed the current expenses and made note that upcoming expenses would include the utility box wraps and the annual maintenance (re-sealing) of the wood carvings, which would cost around \$500.

5. New Business

a. Public Arts Tour in Eugene ~ Councilor Laura Reid

Laura Reid summarized a tour of the Public Arts in Eugene as part of the League of Oregon Cities, and they have a huge arts department. She wanted to share the pictures and spoke on the beauty of the downtown, the murals, and purposeful graffiti. They also place art in the parking garages. All of the art is a wealth of beauty.

Lore Christopher said that the Commission needs to update the Keizer Public Art Commission (KPAC) Master Plan to include street art and controlled graffiti and establish a subcommittee to periodically update the Master Plan. Any art projects that the KPAC undertakes need to be listed in the Master Plan. She also mentioned that there's interest to have a Veteran's Memorial.

Kat Thoreson said that she is a Graphic Artist and volunteered to update the brochure called, Keizer Public Art Walk. The brochure should also include pictures of Rosalie's Silly Cows, and photos can be sent to Kat Thoreson.

Marilyn Wood has a name of a graffiti artist and is in contact with that person to help find additional graffiti artists.

Lore Christopher stated that the KPAC still needs to identify locations, take pictures and make suggestions as to where graffiti art could be located. Ideas should be brought to the next meeting and the locations need to be added to the Master Plan.

Laura Reid agrees that this is the perfect time to make the graffiti issue a priority with the increased graffiti. She suggested going to Council with a Master Plan Amendment.

The Commission would like the Public Works Director to attend the January meeting to talk about graffiti issues and locations.

6. Appearance of Interested Citizens

None.

7. Iron Glory Contract

a. Iron Glory Sculpture

Iron Glory Sculpture is on loan from Ric Smith, and he does not want compensation. The Arts Commission asked the Legal Department to share what's needed for the contract.

Lore Christopher mentioned that Mayor Clark wants a simple sign that reads "City of Keizer" on the wall behind the Dias in the Council Chambers, and Ric Smith would like to create the sign. The Commissioners agreed to show Rick Smith the location and obtain a quote.

8. Approval of 2024 Holiday Art Card Contest Submission Form

a. 2024 Submission Form

Councilor Laura Reid pointed out a broken line on first page about the Keizer Civic Center.

Lore Christopher moved to approve the 2024 submission form with the change made by Councilor Reid. Marilyn Wood seconded. Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

Laura Reid made a friendly amendment with necessary scrivener alterations. Lore Christopher seconded. Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

b. Decide when Gift Card should be given to Winner: March or December

Laura Reid moved to announce the winner and give the gift card in March and the official presentation in December with the announcement for next year's contest. Lore Christopher seconded. Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

Laura Reid moved for a friendly amendment to notify the winner and award the gift card in March and make the official award presentation at the first City Council meeting in December. Seconded by Lore Christopher. Steen, Christopher, Thoreson, Squires, Klein, Wood and Reid in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

The Commission requested that the upcoming Holiday Card Submission Form be considered for approval at the November meetings.

There was a suggestion to display the past card winners moving forward.

9. PGE Contact Regarding Utility Box painting

Item was postponed to the January meeting.

10. Student/Emerging Artist Display

a. Artist Kaethe Mentrum ~ 1) Orchid Artwork, named "Phalaenopsis Thriving in the Jungle" ~ 16" x 24" AND 2) Peonies Artwork, named "Peonies at their glory" ~ 11" x 22"

The Commission reviewed pieces submitted for display prior to the meeting.

Lore Christopher moved to accept Kaethe Mentrum's two pieces, named "Phalaenopsis Thriving in the Jungle" and "Peonies at their Glory" to be displayed for 60 to 90 days. Laura Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Christopher, Bish, Reid, Wood and Thoreson in favor with Bish absent and one open position.

The Commission would like to see optional biographies from this artist and from Student/Emerging artists moving forward.

11. Other Business • Reporting to

The next Council report will be March of 2024.

**Council December
4th: Lore
Christopher**

**12. Adjourn ~ Next Meeting: January
23, 2024** Meeting adjourned: 7:06 p.m.
Minutes Approved: 03/19/2024

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