



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 26, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Beth Melendy at 6:00 p.m.
Roll call was taken as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Beth Melendy, Chair
Lore Christopher, Vice Chair
Jill Hagen
Jessi Long
Amy Ryan, Councilor

Absent:

Kim Steen
One Position Vacant

Staff Present:

Nate Brown, Community Development Director
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lore Christopher moved for approval of May Minutes. Amy Ryan seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Christopher, Hagen, Long and Ryan in favor with Steen absent and one position vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: None

ART PAD LOCATION REVIEW: Nate Brown reported that property owners want to see the piece of art before agreeing to allow placement on their property. He suggested waiting until we had a specific piece before contacting the property owners and going to Council. Lore Christopher explained the process she had in mind for securing permission and indicated that she would make the calls if Mr. Brown would give her the contact information.

GALLERY DISPLAY SCHEDULE

- *July-August:* Artist Trunk Show
- *September-October:* Jones/Burkhardt (Jonezy Art/Wilderness Adventure Images)
This display will take only one hallway in the gallery. Artwork has not yet been submitted for approval.
- *November-December:* Columbia Fiber Arts (Artwork approved)
- *January-February-March 2017:* Open

TOWN & COUNTRY MURAL

Update: Jill Hagen reported that 15 portraits have been completed, 12 remain. When all are completed the mural will be sealed. The Millers will donate the time and equipment needed to apply the sealant. Discussion followed regarding where the funds would

come from to pay for the sealant. Ms. Christopher explained that out of the \$3500 that was received from the City, \$2000 was set aside for artist per diems which will not be needed since the Chamber Foundation is paying those. That can be used for the sealant. The \$2500 grant money will be used for undetermined expenses. Jill Hagen requested a copy of the grant so that she can see what expenditures are allowed. Ms. Christopher indicated that she would forward that to Ms. Hagen. Ms. Hagen reported that she has submitted three expense reports of \$573 each; \$1844.49 remains. A presentation is planned for September 10 at 11 a.m.

Ms. Christopher added that dedicated volunteers should be recognized and suggested that if there is any money left after the bills are paid, t-shirts be purchased and designed with "I am part of Keizer history" and a hand print on them and they be given to those volunteers.

Discussion followed regarding selling photographs of the mural. Lore volunteered to check with Ron Cooper. Ms. Hagen urged that a photograph be taken with all the volunteers in front of the mural. Beth Melendy volunteered to call David Dahle. Jessi Long suggested that perhaps a small replica of the mural could be sold as an anniversary project. Members also suggested that the photograph of the mural could be transferred to canvas for sale.

Lighting: Jill Hagen stated that she thought auxiliary lighting should be installed to provide more security. Committee members decided that lighting was not necessary until fall when it starts getting dark early. This item was tabled until the October meeting.

Plaque: Discussion took place regarding what should go on the plaque. Mr. Brown suggested that donors be asked if they want their name on the plaque. Ms. Christopher volunteered to do a mockup for Commission approval at the August meeting.

Portraits: Ms. Hagen reported that there are two figures that could have portraits on them and asked if she could sell those spots. Committee members discussed this at length and decided that it would not be fair since there were rules involved with the previous portraits. They noted however, that the artist doing those figures could make them 'likenesses' but not 'portraits' and they would not be identified.

COMMUNITY CENTER STUMPS:

Insect Treatment (Donation): Ms. Christopher reported that Greg Ego will donate two applications of the chemicals (one for this year and one for next).

Story Pole Assistance from Carousel Carver Lady: Jessie Long reported that she had not contacted her but would have the information by the September meeting.

ART COMMISSION FLYER ~ Inclusion of Mural at Chamber Office:

Discussion took place with members agreeing that only outdoor art should be included in the flyer. Lore Christopher moved to exclude the mural inside the Chamber office in the Keizer Public Art Commission flyer. Jessi Long seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Christopher, Hagen, Long and Ryan in favor with Steen absent and one position vacant.

EMERGING ARTIST SOLICITATION: Chair Melendy indicated that Mackenzie's pieces were on display and that she may have more for the next time slot.

OTHER BUSINESS: Jill Hagen reported that she would be unavailable August 1-13 and asked someone to supervise during that time. No one was available. Commissioners agreed that application of the sealant could be postponed if necessary. Jessi indicated that she had checked and Family Building Blocks did not want the leftover paint. Other charitable organizations were suggested.

Jessi Long reported that a lot of the sculptures along River Road are Pokemon Go stops. She has emailed Pokemon to ask if names on the sculptures can be corrected and points of interest not currently on the program can be added.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT:

Confirmation on keeping the seven current pieces on River Road: Lore Christopher moved that the seven sculptures on River Road will remain through December 2017. Amy Ryan seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Christopher, Hagen, Long and Ryan in favor with Steen absent and one position vacant

Trusted Vendor Pre-Approval Pilot Program Council Meeting Date: Mr. Brown explained that the primary purpose of the committee is to approve artwork and this program undermines that. The City Attorney is concerned about censorship issues because the art is being displayed in a public venue. Commission indicated that they wanted to bring it to Council nonetheless. Ms. Christopher and Ms. Melendy will do the presentation. It was agreed that the issue would be on the September 6 Council Agenda.

Chain Saw Artist Bench: Mr. Brown reported that the bench cannot be placed until construction is completed in the area.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 23, 2016

Minutes approved: 08-23-16