

ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION



MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 3:30 p.m. Calapooia Room, City Hall/Hybrid

Approved: 10-8-2024

Call to Order:

Keith Lohse called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members present: Keith Lohse, Nolan Streitberger, Leesa Bright, Maddie MacGregor,

Wanda Buck, Amanda Dant, Carolyn McLeod

Members absent: None.

Staff present: Kim Lyddane, Parks and Recreation Director; Alocia Doyle, Adult

Recreation Assistant

Others present: None.

Business from the Public 3:30 p.m.

None.

Approval of August 13, 2024, Minutes

3:30-3:31 p.m.

MOTION: MacGregor moved to approve the minutes with corrections to attendance. Streitberger seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0.

Scheduled Business

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Upcoming Local Art Events-Lohse 3:32 p.m. Lohse informed the commission he did not have any events to add to the list and asked if the other commissioners had events to add. Dant mentioned the Albany Civic Theater and high school art events starting next month. Streitberger mentioned an artists' reception in Corvallis. Brief discussion followed.
- b. Art Section Policy Discussion (with an example from Florence)- Lyddane
 Lyddane covered how the commission has been receiving more controversial art and provided an example of Florence's policy for guidance to create our own policy. This topic will be discussed in multiple meetings. Brief discussion followed.
- c. Art Across American Connects- Tile Mural- MacGregor

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MacGregor provided a handout to the commission covering an organization that creates tile murals. After discussing pricing, event ideas, and discussing the difference from the original project idea, a motion was made.

MOTION: Lohse moved to return the Republic Services Community grant. McLeod seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0.

Brief discussion followed.

- d. Meeting Policies & Cancellation Timelines- Streitberger
 Lohse asked for clarification on the meeting cancellation policy. Lyddane explained the policy and answered any questions that came up. Brief discussion followed.
- e. Nominations for Arts Month Award-Lohse 4:10 p.m. As a way to propose elevating arts in the community Lohse created a categorized arts award proposal for counsel. Commission members discussed what the award is, how to nominate arts, and when they will vote. Brief discussion followed.
- f. Topics to include at Council Presentation-Lohse Lohse asked the commission if there is anything other than the awards that they would like presented at the counsel meeting. McLeod recommended finances, MacGregor recommended speaking about how fundraising has gone for them, and Bright recommended statistics such as their volunteer hours and events. Brief discussion followed.

ACTION ITEMS

City Hall Gallery Artists- Approval of New Submissions
 Brief discussion followed and a motion was made.
 MOTION: Dant motioned to approve artists. McLeod seconded, and it passed 7-0.

Business from the Commission

4:38 p.m.

MacGregor showed concern for community chatter that may be spreading rumors about the arts commission. Bright shared her experience with the same rumor. Lyddane said she will talk to city communications. Lyddane also mentioned there was a painting donated to the arts commission. It will be discussed in the next meeting. Dant provided receipts from the First Friday reception to Lyddane. Brief discussion followed.

Staff Updates 4:57 p.m.

Lyddane reminded the commission they have until September 17th to RSVP for the appreciation dinner. She also informed the commission the status of the speaker for the First Friday receptions and asked for volunteers for the reception on October 4th. Brief discussion followed.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

<u>Adjournment</u>

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Hearing no further business, Keith Lohse adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by,

Alocia Doyle, Kim Lyddane Adult Recreation Assistant Director

^{*}Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@albanyoregon.gov.