



**CITY OF ALBANY  
ARTS COMMISSION  
Calapooia Room, Albany City Hall  
Tuesday, March 11, 2014  
3:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

Commission members present: Melissa Babcock Saylor (Chair), Anne Bose, Linda Herd, Margaret (Peggy) Kroessin,

Commission members absent: Chuck Leland, Billie Moore, Lynn Whitacre

Staff present: Ed Hodney, Parks & Recreation Director; Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant

Guest present: None

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3. MOTION:** Linda Herd moved to approve the February 11, 2014 minutes as presented. Ann Bose seconded the motion, and it **passed** 4-0.

**4. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

a. Teen Art Show

- Ribbons need to be ordered.
- Cash prizes will be awarded, 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50, and People's Choice \$75.
- Chuck and Ed plan to donate towards the cash prizes at the same level as last year.
- Commissioners will solicit sponsors, possibly Hobby Lobby, and non-cash donations.
- Hanging to start May 1, 2014.
- Judging date and time to be determined.
- Food items suggestions: veggie tray, cookies, fruit tray, chips and punch.
- Commissioners will continue to distribute flyers.

Melissa suggested creating a judges panel of three members from the art business community, and two Arts Commissioners. Suggestions were Sid Stevens, Ron Hauger, and an artist from Gallery Calapooia.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Ed will contact the Heritage Mall manager regarding contact information for Hobby Lobby.
- Peggy will contact Sid Stevens for judges panel and Spirit Beads for a donation.
- Debbie will send out a news release.
- Debbie will send out reminder memo to art teachers.

**b. October Exhibit**

Melissa noted there several items that needed to be finalized if the commission wants to coordinate an October display exhibit in City Hall to coincide with the City of Albany's 150-year celebration.

Katie Nooshazar is the Parks & Recreation Department's representative regarding the planning for the celebration. Ed suggested speaking with her about what the City's plans are for the celebration.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- Billie will draft a prospectus and e-mail to the Commission.
- Ed will connect with Katie regarding the City of Albany's 150-year celebration.

**c. Public Art Project**

Ed met with John Boock, Jay Burcham, and Howard Poppleton. They would like the first sculpture to focus on the rare metals industry, and the role of the U.S. Bureau of Mines in the development of Albany. The group also discussed the process; how to organize the project; how to solicit participation from local artists; and how to fund the project.

Melissa noted the website "Kickstarter," a resource development platform, might be an option to generate funding for a public art program.

**6. ACTION ITEMS**

None

**7. EXHIBITS**

No submissions.

**8. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Ann mentioned that she had spoken with Chuck regarding the monthly displays and the possibility of two artists sharing the display space to utilize the space more effectively. The displays could also rotate from the first floor to the second floor, which would allow the artist two months to display. The hanging system can accommodate approximately 100 pieces, two-thirds being on the first floor.

Ed noted the Commission might want to review the exhibit policy as it currently states exhibit space will be scheduled in one-month intervals at City Hall.

**9. NEXT MEETING**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is April 8, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Signature on file*

Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I, Albany Parks & Recreation