



**CITY OF ALBANY
ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
Tuesday, December 12, 2006**

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Lynn Whitacre, Gwenn Marchese, Marsha Meidinger, B.J. Nicoletti, and Susan Whitacre
Others Present: Theresa Johnson, Staff Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Lynn Whitacre called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the November 14, 2006 meeting were approved unanimously.

CITY HALL EXHIBITS

Theresa Johnson reported that the current City Hall exhibitor Ron Heagy, will be demonstrating his painting on Thursday December 14th from 11am-3pm.

Theresa had received work from a potential exhibitor for City Hall. The Arts Commission members reviewed the work and agreed it would be good to have him exhibit in 2007.

The Commission members discussed a variety of ways to get the word out about the opportunity for artists to exhibit at the City Hall including a flier at art events such as Clothesline Art in Corvallis, and a "Call to Artist" in the Entertainer every couple of months..

Theresa also presented a second list which was a pared down list from NWAAF. It did not include artists from out of the mid-Willamette Valley area. Gwenn Marchese noticed that there were people on the list that are not artists, but they are interested in the arts. Marsha Meidinger suggested a letter go out to everyone that hadn't already received one and that it include wording like "are you interested in exhibiting or know of anyone who is interested?"

LIBRARY EXHIBITS

Lynn reported that she spoke to Ed Gallagher about attending one of our meetings to discuss the plans for the conversion of the Unitrin building to the Library. Ed said he might be able to attend or send a representative to the meeting in February or March.

Theresa reported that Kathy McLaran had dropped off information about the library exhibits and they met briefly to discuss it. Kathy will send out a "Call to Artist" letter after Christmas before she turns the project over to the Arts Commission.

TEEN ART SHOW

Theresa brought the rest of the Teen Art Show posters and the Commission members took posters to distribute to a variety of places throughout the community.

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

The report to City Council is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2007. The Commission reviewed the questions that the Council wants answered and came up with a list. Theresa will type up the list and bring it to the next meeting.

OTHER

Theresa announced that Lynn Whitacre and Susan Whitacre had both applied to continue their service on the Arts Commission. The Commission members and Theresa expressed their appreciation that they hoped to continue.

Marsha Meidinger requested volunteers for the upcoming Winterfest. Anyone that is interested can contact Julie Buchert at Memorial Middle School. They are also looking for silent auction items.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Theresa Johnson, Staff Liaison