



**CITY OF ALBANY
ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
Tuesday, April 10, 2007**

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Gwenn Marchese, Marsha Meidinger, Pat Kight, Susan Whitacre, B.J. Nicoletti, and Lynn Whitacre

Others Present: Theresa Johnson and Joy Gilliland, Staff Liaisons

CALL TO ORDER

Lynn Whitacre called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the March meeting were approved unanimously.

CITY HALL ART EXHIBITS

Jim Piercey is our display artist for the month of April. The Commission stated his work in the display case looked very nice but he had very little hanging. Theresa mentioned that he was going to add some more pieces this week. The commission agreed that all artists should have their complete display ready to display at the beginning of the month.

Shirley Boyd was not present to allow the commission to see her work. Joy will contact her to set up a new date and time.

TEEN ART EXHIBIT

Theresa let everyone know that Mike Newman's check for \$250 came in to sponsor the awards for the Teen Art Exhibit. Theresa and Marsha distributed the new applications to all the schools in the area. Applications and artwork is due by April 20th. It was decided that the judging of the artwork will be done on Saturday, April 21st at 4 p.m. at the Albany Visitors Center. Invitations will be sent out to the council members the first week of May to attend the Teen Art Show Exhibit on May 23rd from 6:00-7 p.m.

NORTHWEST ART & AIR FESTIVAL

Joy asked the commission to take another part in the Northwest Art & Air Festival. They have been asked to paint the new design that Matt has put together as an entrance. Everyone said they would be happy to help. We will send out a painting invitation as soon as we get the design together. Jimmie stated he would check into getting the MDF either free or at a much reduced price. He will contact Matt with figures.

Theresa will be contacting the various guilds to see if they would be interested in being a part of the artist demonstration area this year. We will make sure if vendors want to demonstrate they will have the opportunity as well.

CITY HALL DISPLAY AREA

Craig Carnagey and Matt Harrington came to the commission meeting to discuss their ideas for a new display area for art. They brought a rendering of what they envision and how they would like to utilize what we have and revamp it. Everyone was in agreement but BJ wanted to make sure we weren't compromising quality for cost. Matt assured her they would do a great job. Discussion was also brought up about getting a display case made of Plexiglas to house any 3-D type artwork. Lynne stated she would look into getting the Plexiglas at a much reduced price as she works for a company who deals with Plexiglas.

OTHER

BJ talked to someone regarding a Performing Arts Show. She will foster this relationship to see if it's something Albany needs/wants. We will continue to keep this on the table for discussion.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for May 8th at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joy Gilliland, Staff Liaison