



**CITY OF ALBANY
ARTS COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, Albany City Hall
Tuesday, December 11, 2012
3:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Melissa Babcock Saylor (Chair), Lynn Whitacre, Linda Herd, Oscar Hult, Billie Moore, Chuck Leland

Commission members absent: None

Staff present: Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I

Guest present: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Linda Herd moved to approve the November 13, 2012, minutes as presented. Oscar Hult seconded the motion, and it **passed** 6-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Albany Story - themes that can be used for creating public art.

Chuck Leland shared that Edward Loy, author of "*Tim Burr*", is currently writing a book on the history of Albany, and might be a useful resource.

Melissa Babcock Saylor suggested having Jay Burcham of Burcham's Metals speak to the Commission about a process for placing public art.

Oscar Hult shared the process McMinnville currently uses for placing public art. He also shared the concept of creating a bronze sculpture of one of the Monteith brothers that could be placed on one of the downtown benches.

MOTION: Linda Herd moved to adopt Oscar's proposal and investigate steps needed to move forward. Lynn Whitacre seconded the motion, and it **passed** 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Chuck will contact Ed Loy regarding the projected publication date of his book.

b. Pop-up Arts Activity Center

Linda Herd met with Melody Olsen and they selected the second Sundays of January, February, March, and April to hold activities. Linda has been in contact with Cheryl French regarding which month she would like to hold her activity, and Billie Moore is scheduled for February.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Linda will follow-up with Melody Olsen at Heritage Mall for advertising options.

c. Grant Opportunity

Grant information was shared. The Commission would like to apply for grant opportunities in the future. Chuck noted it would be beneficial to have access to someone with grant-writing skills.

d. Hanging System

Chuck suggested promoting the new expanded capacity for displaying art. Melissa noted the limitations of the venue in terms of hours and traffic flow. Melissa also mentioned the need for the ability to hang art in the space below the paper sculpture in the Great Hall.

e. Teen Art Show

The Commission decided drop-off location will be City Hall April 25 and 26 from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and April 27 from 10:00 a.m. - noon. The date for the reception will be determined after the event calendars of the high school have been reviewed in order to avoid conflict with other events.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Debbie will research the high school event calendars.
- Debbie will reserve display cases in City Hall.

5. **ACTION ITEMS**

None

6. **EXHIBITS**

None

7. **BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Commissioners will continue to forward any copy for the brochure to Ed. The brochure will be used to help communicate the story of Albany.

Phantom Art Gallery signs have fallen down and need to be fixed.

8. **NEXT MEETING**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 8, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I, Albany Parks & Recreation