



**CITY OF ALBANY
ARTS COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, Albany City Hall
Tuesday, May 14, 2013
3:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Melissa Babcock Saylor (Chair), Billie Moore, Chuck Leland, Margaret (Peggy) Kroessin, Oscar Hult

Commission members absent: Lynn Whitacre, Linda Herd

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

Guest present: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:38 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Oscar Hult moved to approve the April 9, 2013 minutes as presented. Chuck Leland seconded the motion, and it **passed** 5-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

Nothing new.

b. Teen Art Show Debrief

The Commission was pleased with turnout for the reception held May 2, 2013. The number of entries for the show was low. The Commission discussed whether to continue the show in the future.

The Commission came up with some ideas for 2014:

- Commission members contact art teachers for feedback.
- Commission members make class presentations early in school year.
- Possibly open the show up to middle school students.
- Secure sponsor to cover financial requirements and awards.
- Gather feedback through post-event focus group.
- Research Meyer Memorial Trust for funding options.
- Pay for advertising.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Peggy research Meyer Memorial Trust.
- Ed photograph show.
- Chuck will contact the high schools regarding class presentations next September.
- Peggy will contact the middle schools and Albany Options regarding class presentations next September.
- Billie will contact the Santiam Christian and the home school program regarding class presentations next September.

c. Wine Walk gallery debrief

The Phantom Art Gallery hosted a winery as part of the annual Upstairs Downtown Albany Wine Walk. Lynn Whitacre and Melissa Babcock Saylor staffed the gallery, and over 500 people toured the gallery. The Commission received a lot of positive feedback on the gallery. One piece of artwork was sold.

d. Original Jennifer Lake Miller painting

Jennifer Miller has closed her art studio in Bend, OR and is offering the City the opportunity to purchase a painting of Albany. The painting is appraised at around \$10,000.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Oscar will bring a picture of the print for the Commission.

5. ACTION ITEMS

Chuck Leland spoke with an Albany Regional Museum Board member and it was determined that the museum is not motivated to collaborate on the Albany Story.

Ed Hodney has invited John Boock and Jay Burcham to attend a commission meeting for discussion regarding a large metal sculpture.

6. EXHIBITS

None. Melissa handed off managing the display schedule to Billie Moore.

7. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSIONa. Art Activities Center - Heritage Mall

Peggy held an activity on May 12, 2013. Attendance was moderate with the kids ages ranging from 1 year to 11 years.

Peggy and Billie will facilitate the next activity on June 9, 2013.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is June 11, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I, Albany Parks & Recreation