



**CITY OF ALBANY
ARTS COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, Albany City Hall
Tuesday, February 09, 2016
3:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Rinee Merritt, Scott Lawley, Melissa Babcock Saylor, Julie Jackson

Commission members absent: Linda Herd, Lynn Whitacre, Jane Donovan

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

Guest present: Stephanie Low

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Scott Lawley moved to approve the January 12, 2016 minutes as presented. Rinee Merritt seconded the motion, and it **passed** 4-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Stephanie is in the process of putting together a group show featuring Latino artists. The show could display in City Hall during August tying into the Festival Latino held in September. Commissioners can send Stephanie contact information for any artist interested in participating. An application with samples will be submitted for review at a future meeting.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Cultural Corridor Meeting

Linda, Rinee, Jane, Scott, and Ed attended. The concept, which is still in development, is to create a network of people interested in the arts in Linn, Benton, Lane and Lincoln counties. Commissioners are interested in continuing to be a part of the process. Brief discussion followed.

b. Summit of the Arts

Summit will be held October 6-7, 2016 in Corvallis. The Arts Center and Samaritan Health Services are participating in the planning process. The Arts Commission is interested in being involved in the planning and during the event. Brief discussion followed.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Scott will contact Cynthia Spencer regarding the Commission's participation.

c. Chocolate Fantasy

The Arts Center is looking for volunteers for the committee and to assist with the event. Interested persons can contact Cynthia Spencer at The Arts Center.

d. Art and Music Teachers- The Arts Center

The Arts Center is looking for art and music teachers for kid and adult classes. Interested persons can contact John Byrne at The Arts Center.

e. Strategic Plan

Further discussion is needed regarding development of the vision and goals, and how to accomplish them.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Ed will arrange a meeting to restart the planning process.

5. ACTION ITEMS

- a. New Officers - Election of Chair & Vice-Chair
Tabled until next meeting

6. EXHIBITS

Elden Ribordy has submitted an application to display in City Hall. The Commission reviewed the application and art sample submission.

MOTION: Rinee Merritt moved to accept Elden to display in City Hall. Scott Lawley seconded the motion, and it **passed** 4-0.

7. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION

Ed has not received any new information regarding Police and Fire stations.

New Commissioner Julie Jackson was introduced, and provided some background information to the Commission.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is March 08, 2016 in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Debbie Little, Administrative Services Coordinator, Albany Parks & Recreation