



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 21, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Beth Melendy at 6:10 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Beth Melendy, Chair
Kim Steen, Vice Chair
Felicia Squires (6:11)
Lore Christopher
Elizabeth Smith, Councilor

Youth Committee Liaison:

Sydney Snapp

Absent:

Maritza Gonzalez
Dakota Saunders

Staff Present:

Nate Brown, Community Development Director
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lore Christopher moved to approve the April 2019 Minutes. Kim Steen seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy and Steen in favor with Christopher and Smith abstaining, Gonzalez and Saunders absent and Squires absent at time of vote.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: None.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT LIAISON: Chair Melendy thanked Sydney Snapp for her contributions to the Commission and gave her a greeting card and a gift card.

GALLERY DISPLAY SCHEDULE: Discussion took place regarding possible groups to solicit for art. Lore Christopher volunteered to contact the Marion County Wood Carvers to see if they would be interested in displaying some of their work. Discussion took place regarding having the artists that display at the Keizer Art Association move their work to the Community Center Gallery at the end of their display time. Ms. Christopher indicated that she would bring this up at the next KAA Board meeting. Kim Steen suggested that the Iris Festival posters from past years be displayed.

Kim Steen moved that the Iris Festival/KeizerFest posters from past years be displayed in the gallery for June and July. Lore Christopher seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Steen, Christopher, Squires and Smith in favor with Gonzalez and Saunders absent. All committee members in attendance agreed to assist with the hanging at 4 p.m. on June 4.

KEIZER CULTURAL HISTORY POLE PROJECT: Community Development Director Nate Brown reported that Council had approved the Oregon 3D Art & Chainsaw Sculptures, LLC, to carve the cultural history pole. The artist has signed the contract and received a check for 1/3 of the price. He is planning on starting in mid-July and will not need any assistance from the Commission. The artist will secure the scaffolding and supply the fencing around the pole. Mr. Brown urged the Commission to make a formal request to the Heritage Foundation to have the school bell displayed where it could be seen, i.e., on top of the cultural history pole. He volunteered to get a picture of it and measurements.

Chair Melendy suggested that a 'beginning of carving' ceremony be planned once a firm date and time are secured. Mr. Brown indicated that he would share the information when he had it. Discussion followed regarding getting 'time lapse' or 'progression' photos for posting on social media. Mr. Brown indicated that he would check into the time lapse camera that belongs to the City. It was suggested that a 'wyze' camera be purchased. Ms. Melendy volunteered to contact David Dahle for interviews and photos.

STUDENT/EMERGING ARTIST SOLICITATION: Mr. Brown shared information about the artist. Commission reviewed the submissions.

Lore Christopher moved to accept the emerging artist/student art. Beth Melendy seconded. Motion passed as follows: Melendy, Steen, Christopher, Squires and Smith in favor with Gonzalez and Saunders absent.

Ms. Christopher volunteered to work with the artist and develop a one-paragraph bio with a picture that could be displayed with the art.

OTHER BUSINESS/STAFF REPORT: Mr. Brown reported that the missing plaques on the street art had been replaced. The new ones are black plastic that hopefully will not be stolen.

YOUTH LIAISON REPORT: Sydney Snapp reported that she would get out of school on June 6 and be going to Oregon State University in Bend in the fall.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 16, 2019

Minutes approved: 07-16-19