

November 13, 2024

Members Present: Bob Hogan, Kami Bratten, Todd Young, Stephen Cheng, Lisa Rhodes, Betty Conner

Staff Present: Jonn Lunsford, Darby Jordan

Called to Order: 4:01 PM

Minutes: October minutes were unanimously approved.

Public Comments: None

Correspondence & Communication: None

Arts Festival Update: Rita James was in attendance to share updates on the Arts Festival projects. She reported that there is a call out for artists for two mural projects. The first will be on the South side of the Thrifty Kitty store with a postcard theme. The other will be on the back of the Clay House store with an ocean theme. They are hoping to have kids join in this project by adding 3D parts in the ocean bottom. These projects are funded by the Creative District grant.

The second project is “Wee Folk Dwellings” on the Cap Centennial Trail. The proposal is to start with three houses with a 24” area each. The Festival will ask artists to design and possibly build them, the Northwest Woodworkers have expressed interest in helping with the project as well. The intention is to have them made of durable materials and be on display for one year.

Rita also spoke about the murals on the Tommy Thompson parkway. One of the murals has come down already and there is a second one that has been damaged by the weather and needs to be removed. Discussion was had about adding new murals to replace the ones removed and about adding to the project.

The topic of Roundabout art was brought up and discussion was had about the possibility of adding art to the newer roundabouts.

The last topic discussed with Rita was the Literary Grant, “Verse and Voice”. Rita shared that the Festival is not giving grants at this time, their funding is being distributed to other projects. However, there may be funding in 2024 through the Creative District grant. Kami, Todd and Zach will send a proposal of the project to the Festival in the next several weeks.

98221 Gallery Update: Bob spoke about the next show, starting in December in time for the First Friday Art Walk on December 6th. Entries are coming in and the deadline is Friday, November 15th. They will jury the entries next week and hang the show on December 3rd at 10am. The show will run through May.

Other Business:

Betty shared that she has already spoken to the Post Master and was told the bike rack in front of the Post Office belongs to the City. Jonn will speak with Public Works and engineering to get their opinion. Bob asked about Piano-cortes and the delivery of the piano believed to be sold. Jonn will reach out to Meredith to inquire about the status of this piano.

The December meeting is the same date as the joint “Take a Bite out of Grandpa” event, put on by the Board, Parks department, Library and hosted at the Senior Activity Center. It was agreed that there will be no December meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm

Respectfully submitted by Darby Jordan