

March 12, 2025

Members Present: Bob Hogan, Kami Bratten, Stephen Cheng, Betty Connor, Zach Wight, Trish Wilson

Staff Present: Jonn Lunsford, Darby Jordan

Called to Order: 4:00 PM

Minutes: November minutes were unanimously approved.

Public Comments: None

Correspondence & Communication: None

Wall Mural Project: Todd not in attendance, will move to next meeting.

Library Sidewalk Mural Project: Betty shared the newspaper article written about the project as well as a project summary. The project has been well received and inquiries have been made about where the next project will be. It is a possibility to work with other grades or classes and to hire professional artists. Suggestions were made about the post office or visitor center. The current painting will be monitored for fading and needing to be resealed.

Wee House Walk: Jonn shared that this is a project with the Arts Festival with Rita leading the project. It will be located on the Rotary Centennial trail up to Cap Sante. There will be three houses made by three artists. The Festival will provide the base and roof as well as maintain the houses. They will be placed this spring and summer.

Other Business:

Bob announced that the 98221 Gallery ends this run on May 23rd. The next show will be hung in time for the June Artwalk. Submissions due by April 28th.

Bob shared that North Sound Piano may be interested in helping with Piano-cortes. They would secure the pianos, move them and tune them. It was decided to open the artist pool to all of Skagit Valley. Bob will check with the Arts Festival about a stipend for the artists. Discussion was had about only doing two pianos so both are displayed under cover.

Discussion was had about the Voice & Verse grant. The next step will be to attend the Manieri Foundation meeting. Proposal also being shared with the Arts Festival and the Downtown Anacortes Alliance.

There was a request to see a financial report annually.

The Downtown Anacortes Alliance has put out a call to residents and businesses to see what needs to change or be rehabilitated. Bob will extend an invitation to them to attend a meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:49pm

Respectfully submitted by Darby Jordan