

**MISSOULA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 19, 2016 – 4:00 PM**  
**Jack Reidy Conference Room**  
**140 W. Pine, Missoula, MT 59802**

Members Present: Taag Peterson, Courtney LeBlanc, Peter Lambros, Kathi Olson, Julie Armstrong, Kia Lyszak

Others Present: Grace Stopher (Missoula Cultural Council)

1. Called to order at 4:19 PM

**2. Public Comment**

- Courtney: The Public Broadcasting Committee is looking for project to utilize their movie-making skills. She asked if they'd like to collaborate with the Public Art Committee? The committee discussed possible collaborative projects, such as highlighting the Traffic Signal Box project this summer. The City of Missoula would be the audience for a short documentary project. It could be great to partner with this committee, and gain a video clip about the MPAC that would be beneficial to promote the MPAC. Courtney will follow up with them, and invite them to our next meeting.
- Kathi: Sunday Streets Missoula is coming up on July 17. We discussed a project on this day to promote the MPAC, such as sidewalk chalk art & tabling, or a community mural. ZACC could help get set-up! Grace agreed to take on coordinating this event.
- Grace: On behalf of Missoula Cultural Council, would MPAC like to contribute to MCC's Fine Art Guide again? This is a routine expense for \$95 for a two-year submission. The MPAC approved the fee for the next Fine Art Guide.

**3. Minutes approved:**

- March 15, 2016

**4. Vacancies on Committee:**

- Ted Hughes resigned from the MPAC. The Mayor has referred Helen Hallenbeck to fulfill Ted's term and the city will approve or not next week.
- City council is conducting interviews this week and next with two applicants to fill the City Council-appointed vacancy.

**5. Grace Update:**

- Grace filled in the MPAC on current projects, including: the MPAC Google calendar, Google Drive, new MPAC member welcome packet, Admin Assistant job manual, and web content.

**6. PAC License Plate Opportunity:**

- Grace proposes an idea to the PAC to design and apply for a Specialty License Plate that would raise funds for public art in Missoula.
- The MPAC agreed the large fee to apply for a license plate is too much of a fundraising effort at this time. We discussed different ways to fundraise, and ultimately agreed the idea would be better pursued at a different time. Peter suggested it could be a good idea for future supporters to sponsor a license plate.

**7. Traffic Signal Box Update:**

- Art call is being promoted across many free advertising agencies. The exhibition of past TSB's is still on view at Berkshire Hathaway MT Properties downtown for the rest of the month of April. Eight people attended the informational meeting on April 7. Kathi has heard some people already have their proposals ready to submit. No applications have been submitted yet.
- Email from Matt Lautzenheiser (Historical Museum at Fort Missoula) requested the TSB at Reserve and South has a specific design related to Fort Missoula. Kathi does not believe we can grant their request to have a specific theme for this box as it is an open art call that has already been made public, and all artists should have equal opportunity to apply--and the committee agrees. Kathi suggested we could invite them to attend the selection committee meeting. Perhaps we can help them find another art project that would be more appropriate and timely. Kathi & Grace will respond to Matt.

#### **8. Public Art Guide Update:**

- The art guide is due to be published at the end of May. We may be getting fewer art guides this year than last. We are doing well with advertising at this point. We are still awaiting updated Q&A additions, Kathi needs to send them to Jacque by tomorrow. Courtney suggested editing the verbage so that it can be comprehended by anyone, by eliminating any political jargon. We need to update times/dates of committee meetings and committee members. Courtney will email all of her ideas to Kathi tonight.

#### **9. Announcements, News, and Upcoming Events**

- The committee discussed possible future projects:
  - i. "Guerrilla art guide" in Missoula?
  - ii. Public Art scavenger hunt -- future fundraising opportunity for us?
  - iii. Kia is interested in pursuing parking meter project... fundraising committee for us? Kia/Grace will find out the status and get back to the committee.
  - iv. Kia: the ZACC has been nominated to win a grant from Missoula Federal Credit Union. If you are a member at MFCU, log in online and vote between May 9 and June 9 and vote for ZACC! ZACC is the only arts agency up for this grant.

#### **10. Comments**

#### **11. Adjournment**

Next meeting: May 17, 2016, 4 PM

Meeting was adjourned at: 5:59 PM