

MISSOULA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 20, 2016 – 4:00 PM
Jack Reidy Conference Room
140 W. Pine, Missoula, MT 59802

Members Present: Peter Lambros, Kia Lyszak, Taag Peterson, Helen Hallenbeck, Doug Olson, Cathay Smith, Helen Hallenbeck, Kathi Olson

Others Present: Brianna McLean (Arts Missoula), Tyler Downey, Stacey Gordon (U of M Law School), Isaac Humble, Jason DeCunzo (Riverhaus Design), Ethan Harris

1. Called to order at 4:08pm.

2. Public Comment

- a. Tyler Downey and Ethan Harris are visiting artists interested in learning about the Public Art Committee.

3. Guest(s):

- a. Jason DeCunzo (decunzo@yahoo.com) of Riverhaus Design gave a presentation regarding the potential lighting design for "Perseverance & Passage." He suggested 5 light fixtures that would be set in gravel around the sculpture. The fixtures would carefully control light on the piece so it would not appear garish or impede the view of the sky. He said the lights would have adjustable angles and would be easy to control. His conservative cost estimate was \$15,000 altogether, but he was confident that manufacturers could donate 20-50% of the cost, and also recommended looking into an NEA Grant. Peter tabled further discussion to save time. See "7. Perseverance...Update" for more information.
- b. Stacey Gordon (stacey.gordon@umontana.edu), Director of the Law Library at the Law School, and student Isaac Humble have 17,000 volumes of law books that they are looking to reuse into art projects, specifically in the community. They were looking for suggestions and advice. Kia recommended getting in contact with the Montana Book Festival for next year.

4. Approval of Minutes

- a. August 16, 2016 - Kathi makes a motion. Helen seconds. Approved with amendments.

5. Staffing Update - Brianna

- a. Brianna introduces herself as the new Public Art Coordinator.

6. Virtual Office & Job Manual - Brianna

- a. Brianna introduces the virtual office and job manual that previous coordinator Grace had created.

7. Perseverance & Passage Lighting and Signage Update - Taag

- a. Brianna will pursue information about NEA Grant, and whether or not we can get a significant amount of the lighting installation funded. She will also see if the Grant can be combined for "Crossings." Cathay wants artist to like the lighting as well. Kathi and Taag agree to go to an MRA meeting to pitch the project. There is a consensus.

8. Proper Shoppers Broken Piece Update - Taag

- a. No updates, except a dead end. No drawings available. Missing pieces are tiny. City seems to have purged anything about the commission. Need to photograph other delicate areas of piece.

9. Traffic Signal Box Update - Kathi

- a. David Miles Lusk is on schedule to complete his box by end of the month. He is on opening reception handout for later reference. 7-9 painted boxes are scheduled to be

taken out. Kathi is working with Transportation to see about preserving signal box exteriors. Since it is state property, they cannot be sold or given away unless they are bought. They are asking for \$5,000 a piece.

10. PAC's New Website - Brianna

- a. Tabled until next meeting. Peter briefly explains that permission has been granted by the city to use social media and website.

11. MCAT Update - Courtney

- a. MCAT is 80% done with filming. Should be finished by late January, early February. Bigsky Documentary Film Festival is potentially interested in airing it. There will be a meeting on Friday, September 23rd, at the Roxy at 3pm to discuss free showing at Roxy. A short clip will be shown after meeting adjournment for anyone who can stay.

12. Parking Meter Project - Kia

- a. More brainstorming is needed. Kia suggests a sub-committee to discuss in greater detail.

13. Announcements, News, and Upcoming Events

14. Comments

15. Adjourned at 6:08pm.

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