

Meeting Minutes: Public Art Advisory Committee

Date: 10/10/2023 Minutes prepared by: Cheryl O'Donnell

Location: Burnhaven Library, Burnsville

Attendance

- Mike Todaro
- Cheryl O'Donnell
- Al Tsai
- Bob Erickson
- Sydney Seufer
- Helen Leslie
- Kathy O'Keefe, Hastings Prescott Arts Council
- Heather Stephenson, Dakota County Library
- Lil Leatham, Dakota County Parks
- Sarah Kidwell, Dakota County Public Services & Revenue Division

Decisions Made

• Discuss the 2024 Work Plan at the November meeting.

Actions Taken

- Purchase signs for the sculptures that will be displayed at the Administration Center and Pleasant Hill Library in Hastings.
- Approve the bylaws as revised and send to the County Board of Commissioners for their approval.
- Approve the Art In Public Places Program as revised.

Agenda

- Identify Minute Taker / Chair
- Approval of Agenda / Chair / 5 minutes / Approval or Modification
- Approval of Minutes / Chair / 5 minutes / Approval or Modification

- Per Diem Requests / All / Member Signature
- Sculpture Proposal from Hastings Prescott Arts Council / Chair
- Miesville Ravine Park Reserve Long Range Plan Public Review / Lil Leatham
- Bylaw Revisions / Staff
- 2024 Work Plan / All
- Community Engagement Opportunities / Chair
- Sub-Committee Reports / All
 - South St. Paul Library Artwork Subcommittee / Subcommittee
 - Investigate Art Opportunities at the Fairgrounds Subcommittee / Subcommittee

Next Meeting

Date: November 14, 2023

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: Northern Service Center, West St. Paul

Agenda items: Subcommittee Updates, Bylaw Revisions, 2024 Work Plan

Meeting Notes

Identify Minute Taker: Chair

Cheryl O'Donnell will take meeting notes.

Approval of Agenda: Chair

Bob Erickson moved to approve the agenda, and it was seconded by Helen Leslie. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Chair

Cheryl O'Donnell moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, and it was seconded by Sydney Seufer. The motion passed.

Per Diem Requests: All

Each committee member received a per diem request to sign for today's meeting.

Sculpture Proposal from Hastings Prescott Arts Council: Chair

Kathy O'Keefe from the Hastings Prescott Arts Council presented the final information on the 4 sculptures. They asked the committees participation in making the choice. They are down to the following four: Mourning Tree, Statue of Liberty, Trellis, Kangaroo. Staff at the Pleasant Hill Library like the Kangaroo the best, so the Committee agreed with that path (although all loved the trellis). Agreed that any of the four would be

acceptable. The contract for the lease of the sculptures will be between the Hastings Prescott Arts Council and the artist.

Bob Erickson made a motion to purchase a sign for the sculptures that provides information about the sculpture and identifies the partnership between Hastings Prescott Arts Council, Public Arts Advisory Committee and Dakota County. The motion was seconded by Al Tsai, and it passed.

Miesville Ravine Park Reserve Long Range Plan Public Review: Lil Leatham

Lil Latham of Dakota County Parks presented the changes being made at the Miesville Ravine Park Preserve, which includes the potential for art interaction. Presentation talked about Art and Interpretation projects: Rest stops/Benches/Art/Interpretive. May want to collaborate in 2025/2026. Asks that we keep the project in mind for the future. Helen invited Lil to keep us involved in the project in the future.

Bylaw Revisions: Staff

Sarah Kidwell presented main changes in the bylaws per the review at the September meeting. The County Board does not want to ratify every decision that the committee makes.

Bob Erickson made a motion to approve the bylaws as revised, pending approval by the County Board. The motion was seconded by Helen Leslie, and it passed.

Bob Erickson made a motion to approve the Art In Public Places Program as revised. The motion was seconded by Al Tsai, and it passed.

2024 Work Plan: All

Please review the draft of the 2024 Work Plan for discussion at the November meeting.

Sub-Committee Reports/Updates:

South St. Paul Library Artwork Subcommittee: Subcommittee

Cheryl O'Donnell reviewed last zoom meeting that the Library held with the artist and the progress of the artwork. The final piece will be a mosaic of the river.

Investigate Art Opportunities at the Fairgrounds Subcommittee: Subcommittee

Al Tsai will provide a framework to share at the next meeting.