



**LAKEWOOD ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
Date: Monday, April 2, 2018 Time: 5:00PM – 6:15 PM
Lakewood City Hall, American Lake Room
6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Arts Commission Members Present: Susan Coulter, Kat Flores, Linda McDermott, Monique Marcano, Stephanie Rose, Phillip Raschke, Lani Neil,

Staff: Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator, Nicolette York, Office Assistant

Youth Council Liaison: Susan Cossio Trujillo, absent

Council Liaison: Jason Whalen-Excused

Arts Commission Members Excused: Ed Kane, Shannon Paul, Chelsea Roberts

Guests: Mary Dodsworth, Director – Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Kat Flores moved to approve the March 5, 2018 minutes as written. Monique Marcano seconded. Motion Passed Unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Guest Speaker: Mary Dodsworth discussed the budget and the public art funds. There are dedicated funds from the McGavick Center rentals. It is approximately \$12-\$15,000 each year. Those funds can be budgeted for long term art projects such as the lotus blossom sculpture. City requires that events be planned and budgeted. Funds may be carried forward to the next budget as long as there is a plan in place. Otherwise it will need to be requested for the 2019-2020 budget. The public art fund is managed by the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services department. The department has an obligation to generate 45% revenue from events. Everything is possible as long as it is planned way ahead and budgeted. The Council will want to know from where they money is coming (i.e., from cutting a program, from sponsorships, from vendor sales, etc.)

NEW BUSINESS:

State of the Arts Commission (Linda):

The commission has had turnover bringing in new energy and talent. Instead of spreading ourselves thin, we will focus on growing current events and making them even more successful. We will not take on any new events for now. In order to have success we need attendance. Please share responsibility within subcommittees. The commission voted to continue meeting at 5:00 p.m. and to not run past the 6:15 p.m. ending time. The commission can make adjustments to the meeting

time as long as we can have everyone attend. In order to be successful, we need to have everyone present.

SummerFEST Presence - Passport to Art (Sally) - The commission agreed that they should have a booth at SummerFEST. Sally suggested partnering with another group to help offset the cost of the activity. **For discussion is what art activity we want to have at the booth.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Recruitment and Appointments:

Maria Villalpando Ramos Resigned. Linda met with 3 new applicants Tod Wolf, Julie Powers, and Airika Keller. Two applications will be decided on tonight.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Ed Kane had an anniversary.

Finances: Remaining budget: \$1936.08. No purchase made.

Public Art Unveiling (Linda) Lotus Blossom – April 22 at 8:30 A.M. corner of Gravelly Lake Drive and Washington Blvd: Discussed having a City tent, doughnuts, coffee, ribbon cutting, and signs that say “Honk for Art.”

Rotating Art:

Gail Janes artist workshop recap. Low attendance but all who attended were very interested.

Margorie Mankin Art Reception will be on Monday, April 23 from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Save the Date. Linda, Stephanie, and Lani have committed to be there. It was suggested to have a flyer for the workshop at the reception. Decided to move the artist workshop because it is too close to Memorial Day weekend.

Film Fest Update: Phil Raschke advised the commission that the event date will be on September 28, 29, & 30. The name will be the 2018 Lakewood Film, Art, and Book FEST. Mr. Raschke shared the Arts Fest application and an example of the Art Stands that Ed Kane made in the past. Mr. Raschke will be working with the Clover Park School District to make additional stands. Mr. Raschke asked for a volunteer coordinator (Kat Flores) someone to write the Press Releases (Linda McDermott) a hotel liaison (Monique Marcano would like to work with another person on this) and 2 co-chairs to shadow this year so they will be able to take on the event next year (Linda McDermott and still in need of one other member). Made a call to local authors to come to the event. There will be no charge, it will be suggested that they make a donation of 10% of the earnings back to the Arts Fest. The next meeting will be on Thursday April 19th at 3 p.m. at The Ram.

Plein Air: Monique Marcano advised that the subcommittee recommends that the Arts Commission defer the event to a later time. The Arts Commission decided to defer the event and focus on the events we have.

Holiday Committee Update: Lani Neil reviewed the subcommittee meeting. A letter was sent to Council to request moving all activities to Saturday, including Jingle Bell Rock fun run. Stephanie Rose will now be on the Holiday Committee. Linda prepared an ice skating rink proposal that was given to Mary to give to the City Manager. Storefront decorating contest will be advertised in the fall connections.

Council Comments: None

Board Comments:

Susan Coulter said that the American Legion Band is interested in playing at our concert series.

NEXT MEETING:

**Monday, May 7, 2018 @ 5:00 pm – City Hall
American Lake Room**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.



Linda McDermott, Chair



Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator

