

MISSOULA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 21, 2016 – 4:00 PM

Jack Reidy Conference Room

140 W. Pine, Missoula, MT 59802

Present: Cathay Smith, Taag Peterson, Courtney LeBlanc, Julie Armstrong, Kathi Olson, Helen Hallenbeck

Others Present: Grace Stopher

1. Call to Order at 4:05 PM

2. Public Comment

- a. Courtney spoke with the owners at Montgomery Distillery and asked if they'd be interested in ever donating to the Public Art Committee's future projects. They agreed they would be interested in donating. Courtney suggested asking Montgomery Distillery to host the PAC for a percent sales night. Courtney is going to create a list of other distilleries and breweries to ask about percent sales nights.

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. May 17, 2016
- b. Cathay moved to approve, Taag seconded.

4. Traffic Signal Box Update - Kathi

- a. The selection committee for the traffic signal box project took place on June 16, 2016. The committee narrowed it down to six finalists for the five available boxes. There were eleven submissions total. Kathi and Grace notified all finalists on Friday the 17th and discussed with the artists any changes the PAC would like to see in their design. All artists who submitted but were not accepted have also been notified. The finalist interviews are scheduled to take place on July 19th from 3-5 PM in the Jack Reidy Conference Room. Grace will contact all finalists and create a schedule for the interviews on the 19th, and also confirm this date with the selection committee.

5. MCAT Update - Courtney

- a. MCAT did not attend the TSB selection committee meeting as expected. Courtney has sent a draft of the documentary outline for the documentary to Kathi, Taag, and Grace. Right now the goal is to get footage of the Traffic Signal Box project. Courtney will invite MCAT to the TSB finalist interviews to get footage, and also invite them to film the process of artists painting their boxes. The committee discussed the documentary project and brainstormed the goal of the documentary. Courtney, Taag, Grace, and Kathi will coordinate a time in the next week to meet and decide upon an outline for the film.

6. Saturday Market Update - Courtney

- a. There hasn't been an opportunity to set up an informational table at the Saturday Market quite yet. Courtney will follow up with this next time.

7. Public Art Guide Update - Kathi

- a. Kathi encourages everyone to pick up a box of public art guides from Jacque Walawander at the Missoulia and distribute anywhere in town that the guides haven't been delivered yet. There are 10,000 printed total, and inserted into the

Montana Magazine for initial distribution. PAC members are encouraged to pick up leftover copies at the Missoulian.

8. Sunday Streets Missoula, July 17th - Grace

- a. The committee discussed providing sidewalk chalk for visitors this year at Sunday Streets to decorate Higgins Bridge. Grace will coordinate supplies, registration fee, committee volunteers, etc. Julie made the motion to participate in Sunday Streets Missoula 2016 and spend up to \$200 for registration fee and supplies for Sunday Streets Missoula. Courtney seconded the motion. Approved by the committee.

9. Parking Meter Proposal Discussion

- a. Still waiting on news from the Missoula Downtown Foundation about the status of the old parking meters. Tabled until next PAC meeting.

10. Announcements, News, and Upcoming Events

- a. Julie proposed the idea to decoratively paint all the parking spots in Caras Park as a fundraiser. She saw an example of this while traveling in Texas. Kathi suggested this could be an interesting collaborative public art project with the Carousel for Missoula.
- b. Lighting at George Ybarra's sculpture. Taag emailed Jason de Cunzo about it a couple months ago and never heard anything back. Taag will follow up with Jason this month and hopefully get answers about lighting "Perseverance and Passage." Add to agenda next time.
- c. "Proper Shoppers" at the transfer center has a couple missing pieces, and the PAC hopes to have the pieces replaced. Taag will follow up with this in the next few weeks. Add to agenda next time.
- d. Taag suggests to the committee looking into new signage for "Perseverance and Passage." Taag will ask George. Add to agenda next time.

11. No Comments

12. Adjourned at 5:31 PM.

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