



City of Langley

ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes of City of Langley Arts Commission Meeting, Thursday June 11, 2015

Present: Frank Rose, Diane Divelbess, Michele LaRue, Callahan McVay, Hank Nelson, City Staff Michael Davolio

Guest: Melissa Koch

Meeting called to order by Frank Rose at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes of May 14, 2015, were approved as written. (Motion to approve by M. LaRue, seconded by C. McVay)

Guest artist Melissa Koch presented her plan for Public Art for Sea Wall Park. First she introduced herself by telling us of her many commissions and public art projects, some of which involved working with children and others with native or regional cultural groups. Her outdoor murals are done using cut out shapes in powder coated aluminum. She showed us photos taken of the actual carvings located at Sea Wall Park; Michele LaRue will include these carvings in the Inventory of Langley Art. Ms. Koch gave us her sketches for possible improvements to Sea Wall Park, and she emphasized that this work could be done in phases. Michael Davolio pointed out that before she could proceed further she would need to prepare cost estimates. He also pointed out that her proposal could only be considered as one among other proposals for Sea Wall Park - in other words, the Arts Commission would have to determine who else might be working on ideas for Sea Wall Park. PLAN A: We should contact the Main Street Association. Their next Design Committee Meeting is July 7, at 5:30. PLAN B: Callahan McVay moved and LaRue seconded that "Callahan will compile a list of other community groups actively involved currently with Sea Wall Park." Motion approved.

Arts Community Economic Development Meeting June 30, 2015: Michael Davolio distributed copies of the publicity flyer for this event and mentioned that a large crowd is anticipated. He requested that each member of the Arts Commission sit at a different table. Limited space will be made available to showcase the work of attending artists. Two dynamic speakers are on the program, Glenda Carino, Communication Manager for ArtsWA, and Karen Hanan, ArtsWA Executive Director. There will be a hosted ARTS Networking Luncheon from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Michael said that a placard will be placed at each table which reads "If money were not an issue, what public art would you envision for Langley?"

Fire House Mural Proposal. An unsolicited proposal to paint a 4' x 8' mural on plywood to be attached with metal clips to the exterior wall of the Fire House opposite the Braeburn Cafe was received by the City of Langley from artist Emily Moore. Callahan moved that "Emily Moore's proposal for the Fire House Mural be approved." Michele seconded the motion. Discussion: there is no cost to the City; it will be for sale and if sold, the city will receive a 20% commission. The motion was approved.

Guest Speaker time limit proposed. Because our guest speaker today (with encouraging questions from us) took up half the time of our meeting, we decided to impose a time limit of 10 minutes for future guest speakers.

Michele reported that the Langley Art Inventory was moving right along. She is still trying to obtain needed information from 10 artists, and then Colin's wife will begin photographing the art. Diane mentioned the two totem poles at the fairgrounds and suggested that Sandey Brandon, former Fair Manager, be contacted for more information.

Post Office Site Art Project, Call to Artists: Hank presented it as revised. Callahan made a motion that "We move ahead with the Call to Artists for the Post Office Site." Michele seconded. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned 10:40 a.m.

Next regular meeting, July 9, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Divelbess, Secretary

Sent from my iPad