

Minutes of the Langley Arts Commission Meeting, Thursday, March 12, 2015, Langley City Hall Conference Room

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> Present: Chairman Frank Rose, Stacie Burgua, Colin Campbell, Diane Divelbess, Callahan McVay, Hank Nelson, Michele LaRue; Langley Mayor Fred McCarthy, City Staff: Michael Davolio

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> Community Member: Daniel Burroughs

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> Minutes of February 12, 2015 were approved.

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> Nomination of Diane Divelbess for LAC Secretary was approved.

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> Frank Rose read the LAC Mission Statement aloud.

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> Langley Art Inventory: Michele LaRue said she wanted to continue working on the inventory of art pieces on display in Langley. Discussion followed, making a distinction between an inventory/spreadsheet of art works including location and scheduled maintenance and a "Walking Tour of Langley Art" including a printed brochure. Daniel Burroughs suggested that a brochure could be partially funded by ads purchased by local galleries. However, the discussion returned to the inventory/spreadsheet idea, with photos of the art works included, and that the completed inventory be put on the City of Langley web site.

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> Proposed Post Office Sculpture and Pedestal: Discussion regarding cost of concrete pedestal and question raised regarding free-standing sculpture. Apparently no firm applications have been received yet from sculptors. It was pointed out that the \$600 stipend may be too small to attract sculptors from out of the area even though we have sent notices to the Washington Arts Council, etc. ACTION ITEM: Hank Nelson will bring back information on the CAFE system used by artists for entering competitions. Because the sculptors receive great public exposure and the City of Langley receives 20% commission on sales, our efforts are a win-win. Michael Davolio said that the LAC could ask the Langley City Council for financial help on the Post Office site sculpture. Mayor Fred McCarthy explained that the 1% contingency funds for the arts from the Second Street Improvement Project were actually eaten up by cost overruns. Colin Campbell suggested that a "big deal" be made when the check for \$1300 plus, from the sale of Sue Taves' sculpture, be given to the Langley City Council. ACTION ITEM: Colin Campbell will contact Sue Taves for a photograph or to arrange for a photo op.

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> When Frank Rose called for a committee to draft a plan for the pedestal site, Stacie Burgua questioned this as being too short a focus. She said it felt "cut up" from the larger plan and that we needed a more "holistic" view. Colin Campbell proposed two working sessions of two hours each. ACTION ITEM: Colin Campbell will poll the LAC members and arrange for the time of the first session.

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> Mayor Fred McCarthy noted that because of last year's highly successful luncheon meeting for artists the City of Langley will sponsor another similar meeting this June; he would like the LAC to help in the planning. He also reported that changes to the Langley City Council Ordinances will be presented shortly, for example, Commission Reports will be due twice a year at six month intervals instead of always on March 1. He also said that the City does have some funding for brochures and publicity.

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> Frank Rose mentioned some new art for the Langley branch of the US Bank (metal relief sculpture and a mural). He also proposed the formation of an Acquisitions Committee. However, Stacie Burgua felt

that our work sessions should occur before any further actions are taken and made a motion to that effect. MOTION: "That the Pedestal Project and others be halted until the work sessions review the protocol." Motion seconded by Callahan McVay. Motion carried with two abstentions from Frank Rose and Colin Campbell.

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> Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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> Next regularly scheduled meeting April 9, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.

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> Respectfully Submitted,

> Diane Divelbess, Secretary