

**SANDPOINT ARTS COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016  
5:30 PM CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1123 LAKE STREET**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Carol Deaner, Kris Dills, Megan Cherry, Tammy Farmin, Elle Susnis

**COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilman Tom Eddy, City Staff liaison Melissa Bethel - Minutes

**COUNCIL/COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:** Krister Allen, Dyno Wahl, Ellinor Allen (student liaison)

Chairman Deaner called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Deaner introduced Carol Kovalchuk and Ffion Soltis who will both be appointed to the Arts Commission.

Deaner advised the Commission Debbie Love has resigned.

**MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Susnis moved and Commissioner Cherry second to approve the minutes of August 15, 2016. **Motion passes unanimously.**

**Old Business:**

Selkirk Loop Sign: City Administrator Jennifer Stapleton was not present. Deaner advised it is her understanding the City has received some comments regarding the Sandpoint logo on the sign. The Arts Commission agreed they have no objection to the City removing the Sandpoint logo.

Boyer Avenue Art Project:

Farmin stated she has looked at the area and thinks there should be a call for artist for the Boyer art and choose 3 locations for installation. Deaner stated the roundabout art will take a lot of the northern funds. Deaner suggested the Arts Commission focus funds on extended 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Cherry inquired if the Commission should look in the surrounding area to see what is being funded for public art in roundabouts. The Arts Commission decided to work on the roundabout project and start a conceptual RFP the next meeting.

Fundraising:

Deaner stated committees will be formed.

Mural Policy Review: Cherry suggested ghost signs should be addressed in the mural policy and the application should be updated. The Commission agreed to table the approval until after the

mural policy can be revised to include language regarding ghost signs and the mural application has been revised.

Hydrant Project Update: The Commission agreed to accept proposals until spring and then select winners.

**New Business:**

M16-03 Mural approval for 113 Main Street:

Deaner explained the mural application. The Commission agreed they would rather see the existing ghost sign preserved and not embellished. Cherry stated her concerns are more related to the completeness of the design. Gills stated he does not understand what the owner is trying to hold on to if it is not the original design. The Commission acknowledged the owner could remove the sign and the approval is for a new mural.

**Motion:**

Commissioner Farmin moved Commissioner Susnis second to recommend City Council approve the mural application for 113 Main Street.

**Motion passes 4-1 with Gills voting no.**

Public Art Display proposal:

Farmin spoke regarding the Silver box project. She explained how the project works and where she thought the boxes would be appropriately placed. Farmin stated the boxes are the bases for art projects that would allow local artists to display art for a year and then after the year, the Arts Commission would purchase one piece and the process would start again. She stated the cost would be about \$30,000 for 3 boxes.

Deaner stated the downtown budget would need more funds. She stated Coeur d'Alene has a similar project. Cherry inquired if the boxes have to be stainless steel. Farmin stated the boxes are art pieces themselves and they would stay beautiful. The concrete bases are included in the cost of the boxes.

Cherry inquired what the same size box would cost in powdered coated steel. Farmin stated it is durable but could be damaged and will not hold up as well. Deaner recommended Farmin get more bids, and also get cost comparisons for a cheaper design. Cherry stated if the boxes are cheaper more could be placed in town. The Commission agreed to pursue this project as conceptual.

Art Project for corner of Main & Second Avenue:

Deaner stated the owner of the building would like to place an eagle sculpture on the corner. The Commission agreed the owner should make a more formal presentation. Deaner stated she would contact the owner.

Other Projects: None

**Matters from Commission or staff:**

Deaner encouraged the Commission to attend the Historic Commission fundraiser November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.