

## Fredericksburg Arts Commission Agenda

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

6:30 p.m.

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In attendance: John Cunningham, Jay Downey, Carole Garmon, Sue Henderson, Kenneth Lecky, Jon McMillan, Jane Shelhorse

Absent: Kerry Devine, Jason Graham, Sophia Constantine

- Call to Order
  - The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm
  - Kenneth Lecky read the statement recommended by the City Attorney for the presiding officer to read during the Call to Order of each electronic meeting.
- Welcome/Intro Guests & Community Members in attendance
  - Preston Thayer, Public Art Committee member
- Public Comment
  - n/a
- Approval of E-meeting resolution
  - Jay Downey motioned to approve the e-meeting resolution, Jon McMillan seconded the motion
  - Roll call vote: John Cunningham, yes; Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garman, yes; Sue Henderson, yes; Ken Lecky, yes; Jon McMillan, yes
  - The motion to approve the e-meeting resolution was approved unanimously
- Approval of March Meeting Minutes
  - Motioned to approve the March minutes, seconded the motion
  - Jay amended the minutes to change the wording of the motions regarding the Creative Communities Partnership Grant from Jay Downey and Sue Henderson (the second 'incomplete' in each motion should have read 'complete')
  - Jay Downey motioned to approve the March meeting minutes as amended, Carole Garman seconded the motion.
  - Roll call vote: John Cunningham, yes; Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garman, yes; Sue Henderson, yes; Ken Lecky, yes; Jon McMillan, yes
  - The motion to approve the March Minutes as amended was approved unanimously
- Officer and Committee Reports
  - Treasurer's Report (Kenneth Lecky)
    - \$50 as allocated to the CCPG promotion
    - Jay Downey motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Sue Henderson seconded the motion
    - Roll call vote: John Cunningham, yes; Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garman, yes; Sue Henderson, yes; Ken Lecky, yes; Jon McMillan, yes
    - The motion to approve the treasurer's report was approved unanimously
  - Public Art (Kenneth Lecky)

- Sculpture donation recommendation (Preston Thayer)
      - Two artists currently on the FY20 PSP schedule have offered to donate their sculptures to the city of Fredericksburg.
      - Maintenance and upkeep: Preston has asked for artist to prepare maintenance requirements for future upkeep; one artist has requested that his art is designed to deteriorate naturally.
      - Safety issues, long-term maintenance, and financial responsibility were priorities discussed among the commissioners.
      - Jay Downey motioned to accept the sculpture donations, Carole Garman seconded the motion.
      - Roll call vote: John Cunningham, yes; Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garman, yes; Sue Henderson, yes; Ken Lecky, yes; Jon McMillan, yes
      - The motion to accept the sculpture donations passed unanimously.
        - Sue recommended that we should publicly thank these artists for their donations and possibly do some advertising to this point.
- Administrative (Kenneth Lecky)
  - Discuss potential budget issues
    - Very possible to expect some budget reductions for FY21.
    - Discussion of allocation of federal funding due to COVID 19 and the FAC should be part of that discussion.
    - Balance of current funds partially due to no Q4 funding given.
    - Need for prioritization for the future.
- Funding (Jay Downey)
  - Artful dimensions ruled ineligible for the Creative Communities Partnership Grant due to an incomplete application
  - Four applicants in the q4 funding; communicating with them and will accept their amended application if so desired
  - Committee could not meet until e-meeting resolution was passed by the commission
- Venues (Carole Garmon)
  - Recognition to the local businesses taking a role in representing the arts communities
- Publicity (John Cunningham)
  - Possible documentary style shorts representing how artists have dealt with the pandemic
  - Sue Henderson motioned to allocate up to \$100 in advertising for arts support, John Cunningham seconded the motion.
  - Roll call vote: John Cunningham, yes; Jay Downey, yes; Carole Garman, yes; Sue Henderson, yes; Ken Lecky, yes; Jon McMillan, yes
  - The motion to allocate up to \$100 in advertising for arts support passed unanimously

- Trolley (Kenneth Lecky)
  - Evaluation of first Fridays
  - Discussion of contract with the trolley and lost rides due to quarantine.
- Outreach
  - No report
- Old Business
- New Business
  - Can we coordinate fall outreach with Art Attack
  - Possible in-person meeting for June
  - Collette has resigned prior to the end of her term, so the commission is one additional member short, a total of 9 voting members out of a possible 11
- Meeting adjourned 7:31 pm