PUBLIC ART COMMISSION, CITY OF AMES MEETING MINUTES – March 7th, 2023 AMES CITY HALL, ROOM 135

In Attendance: Erica Briest, Kyle Hauswirth, Candace Zwank, Angie DeWaard, Joseph Merchant, Mohammad Rashid

- Meeting called to order at 5:34
- Consent Agenda
 - o Move to Approve: Kyle Hauswirth
 - Second: Angie DeWaard
 - Unanimous Approval
- Public Forum
 - One Guest- Nellie Martinez
 - Journalism Student at ISU
 - Writing an Article about PAC

Chair's Report

- Last Meeting got a little heated in discussions, and the Chair hopes we can remain more civil than that in the future.
- Nothing is personal, this is just business.
- Thank Joe and Angie for helping with behind the scenes work in between the meetings, and we needed an AAOSE Jury and they helped put that together.

• City Liaison's Comments

- o 3 years ago, we had the 25th anniversary for PAC
- o Project was done as a prt of that for Parks and Rec related photos
 - Those photos were supposed to go in the new Golf Clubhouse
 - Those weren't done at the time, and it slipped between the cracks, but it is being done now.
- Last 6 months we have been having trouble getting the frame shop to respond on the
 Priscilla Sage pieces, and it might be a few months before those are finished.

• Status Updates

- Solar Lighting Project
 - Moved to Remove from Status Updates as it has been tacked on to another project as a pilot.
 - Hauswirth
 - Second- DeWaard
 - Motion Passed Unanimously
- Fire Hydrants-
 - Easy project, and reuses city resources, and should be easy to do going forward.
 - This should be tied in to our official rotation
 - Parks and Rec likes the idea of putting these near Mutt Mitt stations around Ames.

• New and Continuing Business-

- o AAOSE Jury-
 - Jury Members
 - Bob Kindred (Former PAC Liaison)
 - Dan McClanahan (Local Artist)
 - Maureen Tuggle (Art Lover)
 - Motion to approve AAOSE Jury as sat in the Agenda
 - Hauswirth
 - Second: Mohammad Rashid
 - Approved Unanimously
 - Jury Convened Last Friday and made their selections
 - Listed in the back of the Agenda
 - Move to approve AAOSE Selections
 - Hauswirth
 - Second: Merchant
 - Unanimous Approval
- Neighborhood Art
 - Subcommittee went over the application
 - 4 applications and 3 of them wanted flushing mallards
 - 3 neighborhoods contacted and asked to select an alternate, and 2 of them decided not to pick and alternate.
 - Indian Grass neighborhood gave 2 alternates.
 - Want to Purchase Heartbeat of the Heartland for the Indian Grass Neighborhood
 - Want to Purchase Symmetry for the Sunset Ridge Neighborhood
 - Motion to approve purchases of pieces for neighborhood art: DeWaard
 - Second: Merchant
 - Passed Unanimously
 - Problem Pedestals
 - Angie contacted a Main Street representative
 - They liked the option of removing the pedestals and saving the terracotta relief.
 - Motion to recommend deaccession to City Council
 - Hauswirth
 - o Second: DeWaard
 - Passed Unanimously
 - PAC Booth items for Festival Appearances
 - Do we need to order chairs?
 - Asked Brian to check to see if we have chairs already.
 - Brian will make a list of what we have and bring his recommendations on what he thinks we should buy.
 - AMES
 - CyRide is willing to talk further about it

- CyRide staff is looking for a true proposal
- They are interested, but they would like to see a one pager on what we are actually proposing.
- Dr. Merchant will work to create a memo/one pager describing what this is envisioned as.
- Roundabout Subcommittee
 - Nothing to report now due to health issues
 - Per Angie's recommendation Candace is reaching out to Michelle to see if she has contacts that could assist in financing the project.
- Ice Arena Mural
 - 9 proposals for the Mural!
 - Committee has been sat to review the proposals and decide if we want to pick one, or call artists in for interviews
 - Non-Local Artists
 - Committee will make their recommendations to PAC by the April Meeting
- o For the Good of the Order
 - New Members- Starting April
 - Officer Elections will be in Process in the April Meeting
- Motion to Adjourn- Merchant 6:21
 - Mohammad- Second
 - Passed Unanimously