



**Public Art Commission Meeting
Wednesday, February 24, 2016
7:00 PM
Longview Farm House**

Minutes

Members present: Alderman Lynn Wright, Gail McLeod, William Schawacker, Tim Bischof, Cheryl Levey, Nan Kulkarni, Joe Frost

Absent: David Althaus, William Schawacker, Mary Beth Wilson, Gail Westerman

Staff liaison: Lindsey Hodge

Guest: John Baltrushunas

Approval of the minutes from the Jan. 21, 2016 meeting. Member Bischof motion to approve, member McLeod to second. Unanimously approved.

Art, Wine & Music Event:

Wrap up and feedback for event which took place Friday, Feb 5, 2016.

Members mentioned a little light on the art in 2016. They thought Houska and Kapfer were too similar in style to be in the same room. Commission agreed they should find more artists for 2017 as the display seemed a little light. The entire commission can be involved in suggesting artists to help Mary Beth.

An object maker would be a nice addition to the event.

Other event notes: Music was great, food & Wine were good. Good amount of participants.

Keep the montage of all artists' pieces in one room.

Perhaps a theme for next year? Member Schawacker had the idea for an interactive like a character artist, he suggested this at another meeting.

Member Levey suggested a recycle art gallery. Commission members (or possibly other residents) could have an art sale of pieces they are ready to sell. Would be a nice way to move pieces out of houses, decorate Longview and perhaps gain some diversity in the art offering and \$ for the art commission. A suggestion that we use the other rooms in the house to display the art and perhaps try this event on a day when the art gallery is already open on the weekend.

Discovery Sculpture Project:

The commission is closing in on the last 5% of funding needed to complete the fundraising project for the Discovery Sculpture. At this time, about 7K left to raise before the goal is reached.

Maquette (small bronze model) Continued discussion from January meeting about the 2 maquettes that Harry made for the large donors over 10K. These were completed in early December, delivered by Harry. One was given to the recipient.

Discussed brochure text which states: \$10,000 Arts leader Level: Includes a limited edition maquette (small bronze model) of the central figures and recognition on the bronze donor plaque.

Discussed Limited edition that Harry will create. Can commission forward with that?

Discussed making of an exact replica of the finished product. Does it look that different? Commission members discussed differences. Harry reported that in the other maquettes he had made there was differences in the maquette and the finished product. What will we do if we get a large donation and need another maquette.

Commission members discussed who owns the right to the image? Could we use the image to make a laser cut on glass and sell that? Will ask Harry who owns the horse and dog image.

We will table this discussion because many members were absent.

Longview Art Gallery: Discussed gallery schedule for 2016. Discussion followed.

John Baltrushunas of Maryville University discussed upcoming Gallery event with Maryville. "From Acadia to Suburbia." This event is a very exciting collaboration between the Intro to Design students and the City of Town & Country history. Mr. Baltrushunas discussed process of content of exhibit.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 13, at 6:00 PM