

**City of Brighton
Arts & Culture Commission
November 8, 2010
4:00 p.m.**

Welcome to new BACC Board Member

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of the November 8, 2010 Agenda
3. Approval of the October 11, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of October 2010 Financial Report
5. Call to the Public

New Business

6. Dave Bogdan, Artist – “Whale Tail” proposal

Old Business

7. “Winter ‘05” discussion (location at Livingston Community Bank)
8. Call to Artists (2011)

Other Business

9. Staff Updates
 - Extension of sculpture exhibit for certain artists
 - Council Retreat Update – BACC Structure (non-profit?)
 - MEDC 2010 Rural Arts Grant Program application status
10. Call to the Public
11. Adjournment

Next BACC Meeting – December 13, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. – Council Chambers

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Arts & Culture Commission Minutes
November 8, 2010**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Roblee called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. The BACC members welcomed new member Larry Lawrence and the roll call was taken:

Claudia Roblee - Present
Tim Cusick - Present
MJ Takagi – Present
Larry Lawrence - Present

Also present was Lauri French from City Staff and an audience of 1.

2. Approval of the November 8, 2010 Agenda

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Tim Cusick, to approve the November 8, 2010 agenda as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

3. Approval of the October 11, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Tim Cusick, to approve the October 11, 2010 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 3-0-1.

4. Approval of October 2010 Financial Report

Moved by Tim Cusick, seconded by MJ Takagi, to approve the October 2010 financial report as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

5. Call to the Public

Call to the public was made at 4:05 p.m. Hearing no response, call to the public was closed.

New Business

6. Dave Bogdan, Artist – “Whale Tail” proposal

Mr. Bogdan reviewed his proposal for the “whale tail” or fluke to be located in the Mill Pond (handout) and his estimated cost of \$19,000 for the materials and installation. While the BACC members viewed the proposal positively, there was concern expressed by Larry Lawrence about spending money on art in these economic times. Claudia Roblee noted the lack of funds in the BACC budget right now but that in the future, if the BACC were restructured as a non-profit, we could do fundraising to purchase the piece. Mr. Bogdan was advised that we would keep the proposal on the “front burner” pending the outcome of the non-profit restructuring of the BACC.

Old Business

7. “Winter ‘05” discussion (location at Livingston Community Bank)

Claudia Roblee reported that she had talked to a Livingston Community Bank representative about purchasing “Winter ‘05”; they do not have the funds available to purchase it this year. However, they would be agreeable to displaying it on their property at the corner (this would require an easement between the bank and the City). The BACC members also discussed alternate locations such as the triangular

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piece of property in front of Michele's Day Spa or at the corner of Rickett and Grand River in front of the travel agent's building. Claudia advised that Matt Modrack wants to talk to the other banks in the City before we make a final decision. Doug Gruizenga is delivering "Winter '05" to the DPS building on Wednesday, November 10, where it will be stored until spring 2011.

8. Call to Artists (2011)

Lauri French sent a letter 11/5/10 to the four artists identified at last month's meeting (5 sculptures total) asking for a 1 or 2 year extension. Once we know how many sculptures will remain on exhibit, we can determine which locations will require replacements for the 2011 Call to Artists. MJ Takagi would like to extend invitations to artists from "ArtPrize"; we can limit it to Michigan artists for 2011 to see how many responses we get. Claudia Roblee suggested we include the interactive piece for the pocket park in the 2011 Call to Artists and that Piet Lindhout should be invited to participate. Lauri will put together the Call to Artists paperwork and try to get it out before the end of November.

Other Business

9. Staff Updates

- Extension of sculpture exhibit for certain artists – covered in Call to Artists above.
- Council Retreat Update – BACC Structure (non-profit) – Claudia Roblee reported that restructuring the BACC to a non-profit was discussed at the Council retreat in late October. Matt Modrack was directed to work with the City attorney to explore how this would work if members were still appointed by the Mayor. He was also asked to explore having the Chamber of Commerce or Brighton Center for the Performing Arts take over the current BACC responsibilities. It was noted that the Chamber would probably charge a fee and the Center for the Performing Arts may not want to take on additional responsibilities.
- MEDC 2010 Rural Arts Grant Program application status – Lauri French reported that we were notified late last week that our application had been approved for the full \$10,000 grant. The DDA has approved a match for \$15,000 for a total of \$25,000 for the interactive art in the pocket park and artist stipends for replacement pieces for 2011. The grant is "time bound" so we will have to move quickly once we receive the guidelines.

Claudia Roblee noted there is one remaining vacancy on the BACC, which should be filled in December at one of the Council meetings.

10. Call to the Public

Call to the public was made at 5:15 p.m.; hearing no response, Call to the Public was closed.

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11. Adjournment

Moved by Larry Lawrence, seconded by Tim Cusick, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. The motion carried 4-0.

Lauri French, Administrative Assistant
Community Development & Planning Department
November 8, 2010

Next BACC Meeting – Monday, December 13, 2010 – 4:00 p.m. – Council Chambers