

**City of Brighton
Arts & Culture Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting – February 11, 2013**

Chairperson Roblee welcomed new BACC member Shanda Willis.

1. **Call to Order**

Claudia Roblee called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and the roll call was taken:

Claudia Roblee – Present
Kris Tobbe – Absent
Shanda Willis - Present

Larry Lawrence – Absent
MJ Takagi – Present

Also present was Lauri French and Matt Modrack from City Staff.

2. **Approval of the February 11, 2013 Agenda**

Chairperson Roblee suggested that approval of the January 14, 2013 meeting minutes be moved to item 9.a. since Kris Tobbe and Larry Lawrence have not yet arrived.

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Shanda Willis, to approve the February 11, 2013 agenda as amended. Motion carried 3-0-2.

1. **Approval of January 2013 Financial Report**

Lauri French reviewed the financial report and noted that we received the last \$500 donation for Spiral from the owners of Tim Horton's. We also received a \$9,750 insurance claim check for the damage to "Bring Your Chalk and Draw on Me" (with a \$250 deductible). The only expense for January was a check in the amount of \$7,500 for Adnan Charara; this is partial payment for a replacement sculpture and the balance of \$2,500 will be paid upon delivery of the sculpture, probably in April. The earmarked items were reviewed and Staff was requested to follow up with the BAFA 9/11 Memorial committee to see if they still require our \$1,000 that we committed for the memorial.

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Shanda Willis, to approve the January 2013 financial report as presented. Motion carried 3-0-2.

5. **Call to the Public**

Call to the public was made at 6:15 p.m. Hearing no response, call to the public was closed.

New Business

Old Business

6. **DIA "Inside|Out" Program Status (Claudia Roblee/Lauri French)** – Lauri French reported that she and Claudia Roblee attended a press conference on Friday, February 8, at the DIA where they announced the cities that would be participating in this year's Inside|Out program, including the City of Brighton in the summer session. Claudia Roblee noted that a speaker at the press conference referred to the program as "random acts of culture" and that we might want to find a way to use that in our promotion of the event. She would like the BACC members to think about ways to cross-promote the DIA program with our existing sculpture exhibit and the Art Festival, which is the first weekend in August. She suggested doing a pleinair where Brighton Art Guild artists would paint each of the DIA reproductions one day of the Art Festival. This will be discussed further at our March 11 meeting.
7. **Purchase of "Spiral" status** – Lauri French reported that as noted above, we received the last donation for purchase of "Spiral". City Council will consider approval of the donations and BACC's recommendation to purchase the sculpture at their February 21 meeting and arrange for payment to Maureen Voorheis. We have \$500 set aside to re-paint the sculpture when the weather gets warmer.
8. **Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit status for 2013**

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Lauri French reported that letters were sent to 10 artists whose 15 sculptures are due to be rotated out of the exhibit in August this year to determine if any of them would be interested in extending their exhibit one or two years. The only person she has not heard from yet is Jim Ignash ("Twisted System") and she will call to follow up with him. The sculptures in the exhibit will be extended as follows:

Elegant Lady (Kegham Tazian) – 2 years	August 1, 2015
Stretch (Bryan Barker) – 1 year	August 1, 2014
Doppelganger (John Sauve) – 2 years	August 1, 2015
Through the Storm (Jeffrey Bohl) – 1 year	August 1, 2014
Hear Ye (Jeffrey Bohl) – 1 year	August 1, 2014
Bird Dance (Jeffrey Bohl) – 1 year	August 1, 2014
Sancho Panza (Steve Cannart) – 2 years	August 1, 2015 (will need to be repainted in spring)

Jayson Lowery would like to remove his two sculptures for exhibit in another show and will make arrangements to remove them this summer. Robert Sestok did not want to extend "Gone Wild" and will also make arrangements for deinstallation.

- a. John Piet ("Dancer Two") noted that he would either be willing to extend or he would be willing to replace his sculpture with the sister piece to "City With a Halo". Lauri will contact him to get a picture of the sculpture before the next meeting (he is in Mexico for the winter) and what the stipend amount would be if we want to replace "Dancer Two".
- b. Erik and Israel Nordin (Detroit Design Center) are interested in replacing their current three sculptures with three new sculptures from their recent exhibit. Lauri will contact them to ask for suggested pieces, locations and what they are looking for in terms of a stipend.

9. **Continue Cobb-Hall park name discussion from 1/14/13 meeting**

As discussed at the 1/14/13 BACC meeting, there were two suggestions to name the Cobb-Hall property, BACC Sculpture Park or BACC Sculpture Garden.

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Shanda Willis, to forward to City Council the BACC's recommendation to name the parcel currently known as the "Cobb-Hall site" the "BACC Sculpture Garden". The parcel is currently owned by the DDA at 202 E. Main St. (parcel number 4718-31-104-003). Motion carried 3-0-2.

Mr. Modrack also noted that he has asked Lindhout Associates for a quote to be the project manager for the landscape plan and will be taking this to the DDA for approval on February 19, 2013.

- 9.a. **Approval of the January 14, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes** – The meeting minutes could not be approved due to the absences of Kris Tobbe and Larry Lawrence. This item will be carried forward to the March BACC meeting.

Other Business

10. **Staff Updates**

Claudia Roblee noted that she had lunch last week with the new president of the Brighton Art Guild and they discussed ways to cross-promote the BACC and B.A.G. and the possibility of bringing Kaleidoscope back to the City from Green Oak Village Mall.

11. **Call to the Public** – Call to the Public was made at 6:55 p.m. Hearing no response, Call to the Public was closed.

12. **Adjournment**

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Shanda Willis, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. The motion carried 3-0-2.

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Lauri French, Deputy Director
Community Development, Planning & Zoning
January 15, 2013

Reminder: Next Regular BACC Meeting – Monday, March 11, 2013 – 6:00 p.m.