

Public Arts Board * February 14, 2022* 4:00 pm, City Hall Building

In Attendance: Liz Barfield, James Briggs, Amy Johnson, Tara Burnett and Taylor Wagner

ITEM 1: Call to Order

Barfield called the meeting to order at 4:06.

ITEM 2-3: Welcome Guests

Guests: Erinn Gavaghan (NAC), Debby Williams (NAC), Jason Olsen (Parks and Rec) and Veronica Tracy (Parks and Rec)

ITEM 4: Approval of Minutes for December 13, 2021

A motion to approve the December meeting minutes was provided by Johnson; seconded by Burnett. All in favor; approved unanimously. (There was no PAB meeting in January.)

ITEM 4: Finance Report

The finance report as of February 11, 2022 reflected the following:

- Current balance of \$76,745.39 (Art in Public Places)
- Available funds of \$77,255.39 (includes current balance + January utility/other donations of \$510)
- Committed funds of \$24,900 (\$4,000 for ongoing maintenance; \$2,300 for three new SAMO duckies and \$18,600 for bike racks)
- Recent expenses: \$8,750 (to Nathan Pratt for GEMS)
- Net available funds total \$52,355.39
- Note: Barfield and Gavaghan will verify past reports to ensure that utility donations are not being doubly counted (simply so that we can be sure that the amount reflected for Total Available Funds is accurate for past and future reports).
- Motion to approve financials as presented provided by Johnson and seconded by Burnett; all in favor.

ITEM 5: Update on Public Art Board Projects

- **Promised Land Reinvented**
 - Gavaghan provided a copy of the letter of support that she drafted on behalf of the NAC that outlined NAC/PAB/City responsibilities for this piece (installed along the retaining wall at 12th Avenue).
 - Action item: provide minutes to Olsen re: PAB approval of the installation of this project
- **Samo Ducks**
 - Barfield and Elder will meet this week to discuss next steps.
- **Haiku**
 - 25 submissions have been ear-marked for design.
 - Minutes from the August 2021 PAB meeting affirm the PAB's commitment of \$3,750 towards the project.
- **Artful Inlets**
 - "Cool Cats Keep It Clean" is the theme
 - The call-for-artists has been posted publicly (by NAC, City, etc.)
 - An informational session for artists will be provided via Zoom (attendance by artists/PAB is not required)
 - Submission deadline is Friday, March 25
 - Unveiling of project scheduled to take place April 23-24 (at Lions Park—but may need to confirm that event not taking place at Lions Park)
- **Bike Racks**
 - Gavaghan, Williams and Barfield requested that the bike rack at Lions Park be removed in time for Earth Day (and/or the unveiling of the next round of Artful Inlets). Briggs and Olsen will explore its potential removal and/or timeline therefor.
 - Barfield expressed the need to assess and remove (if needed) all bike racks in need of repair so that they can be powder-coated again. It will be necessary to source/compare local powder-coat facilities (in addition to/in lieu of McPherson).
 - Wagner will seek quotes for powder-coating/repairs to VisitNorman's "Jumble of Fun" so that after its removal at 309 E. Main [but before its re-install at 424 W. Main] any necessary maintenance or modifications can be made.

ITEM 6: Spring Bowling Tournament

Barfield, Burnett and Wagner to meet on Wednesday to further discuss timing and possibilities.

ITEM 7: 1% for the Arts Updates (more information available in Williams' report)

- **Young Family Athletic Center**
 - A site visit with the artists will likely be scheduled for April 19.
- **Senior Wellness Center**
 - The Selection Panel held its first meeting on February 9 and will meet again on February 23.
- **Reaves Park**
 - Wagner will serve as the PAB representative to this selection committee.
- **Griffin**
 - The PAB needs to nominate someone to the selection panel for this project.
 - Johnson expressed her desire to serve on the panel. Wagner provided the motion to appoint her to that position; seconded by Burnett. All approved.
- **Andrews**
 - MJ Alexander's project ("In Their Words") will be expanded to include geo-tagged custom soundscapes.
 - Burnett recommended looking into AARP Community Improvement/Better Block grants to see if additional potential funding for this project available.

- **Flood & Robinson Roundabout**
 - This project will begin soon.
- **Budget**
 - Williams provided an updated budget of Norman Forward 1% for Art projects including those completed, in progress and forthcoming.

ITEM 8: New Business

- Barfield explained that although the PAB is currently “full” with seven members. She encouraged board members to brainstorm about potential new members as veterans roll off and otherwise. Barfield additionally expressed her desire to grow the board as well—by up to four members (potentially; for a total of 11). Will work with Kathryn Walker (City Attorney) to determine the best approach to change the ordinance. It could also be helpful to determine parameters/process for current and veteran board members to attend future PAB meetings and corresponding selection panel meetings. (Elder and Wagner will roll off June 2022.)
- Gavaghan mentioned the forthcoming updates to the City billing system—which could work in the PAB’s favor (especially as it applies to utility donations and the upcoming vote to increase water rates). She encouraged the PAB to participate in those conversations so that the donation option can continue to be a consideration.

ITEM 9: Adjourn – 5:03