



MICHIGAN CITY PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE
RON MEER, MAYOR

Creating a Community Identity Through Public Art

Minutes

Michigan City Public Art Committee
Mayors Conference Room, City Hall, 100 E Michigan Blvd,
Michigan City, IN 46360
January 21, 2014

Call to Order: Carolyn Saxton

Attendees: Carolyn Saxton, Robin Kohn, Jane Daley, Bennie Edwards, Judy Jacobi, Janet Bloch, Rich Murphy, Linda Simmons, Tim Haas, Robin Kohn

Minutes:

The December minutes were reviewed and corrected.

Motion

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Murphy) to accept the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report:

Ms. Jacobi reported that there were no changes in the balances of either account at this time. A financial report will be ready in February.

Old Business

2014 Sculptfusion

Ms. Brown reported that Mr. Sam Hook is working on the new website and Entry Thingy. The committee will recommend that the Sculptfusion fee paid to artists be increased to \$3,000 for a 2 year commitment. Deadline to apply for Sculptfusion will be April 1, 2014. The new exhibit schedule will be from June 2014 until June 2016. Installation date for 2014 will be June 9-13. Everyone was asked to look at the website on emichigancity.com and make recommendations to Ms. Brown.

City Hall Signage

Mr. Murphy reported that the city has decided not to move forward on this project at this time. There are directional signs up at this time and there will be more in the future.

New Business

Art Project Requests

Ms. Daley said there have been no new art project requests submitted.

Children's Art Scholarships

Ms. Daley reported that announcements have been sent to the schools and media concerning the 2014 Children's Art Scholarships, however no requests for the grants have been made at this time.

MCNEAT Activities

Ms. Daley explained some of the discussions that took place at the January 8th MCNEAT meeting as follows:

The new assistant city planner, Skylar York, was introduced.

The Lake Michigan Gateway initiative will make a public presentation in April or May and at that time all of the plans for the north end and lakefront including the new entry way to Washington Park will be revealed. When INDOT begins work on the I-94/Hwy 421 overpass the City has requested that the entry way into the City be enhanced. The City is close to approving a developer for the old brewery property along Michigan Boulevard.

Horizon Bank Kiosk

Ms. Bloch and Mr. Edwards have not been working on the kiosk due to the holidays and the weather, so at this time there have been no changes.

Report on ArtSpace

ArtSpace submitted the NEA (National Endowment for the Arts) Our Town Grant application for \$100,000 and they will be informed in August. The request for tax credits has been made to the State and they will know the results on February 28th.

Mayor's Winter Glow Ball

Everyone was excited to receive a ticket to Mayor Meer's Winter Glow Ball.

Change Meeting Time until May

The committee decided to change their meeting time to 2 pm until May.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Next meeting

The next Michigan City Public Art Committee meeting will be February 18, 2014 in the Mayors Conference Room, City Hall, 100 E Michigan Blvd, Michigan City, IN 46360 starting at 2:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Daley - Secretary