

City of St. Helens
Arts & Cultural Commission
Minutes from Thursday, April 2, 2015
City Council Chambers

Members Present

Kannikar Petersen
Luanne Kreutzer
Kevin Chavez, Chair
Diane Dillard, Vice Chair
Rosemary Imhof
Joan Youngberg

Members Absent

Guests

Antonia Doggett
Les Watters
Tina Curry

Councilors in Attendance

Susan Conn

Staff Present

Jennifer Johnson, Secretary
Margaret Jeffries, Library Director

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Kevin Chavez called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

VISITORS

There was one visitor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2015

Motion: Commissioner Kreutzer moved to approve the minutes with corrections for February 5, 2015. Vice Chair Dillard seconded. All in favor; none opposed; motion carries.

FISCAL REPORT

The Commission discussed the Fiscal report.

FIREWORK FUNDRAISER

Tina Curry presented an idea of painting firecrackers on the city street with the names of anyone who donates \$5. She would like the Arts Commission to paint them on the streets or come up with a design. The Commission suggested a larger donation for that kind of recognition. Chair Chavez asked Curry to come back when she has more details; such as location and approval from Public Works to paint on the street.

MURAL PROJECT

Antonia Doggett presented a sketch of her revised design. Doggett presented her sketch of a rhino with two children putting mail in the mailbox. The Commission was very happy with the design. There was a suggestion to make one of the children a boy.

Doggett would like to work with a small group of volunteers when it comes time to paint. She will be working early in the mornings to avoid the heat. The project will take approximately thirty days to complete.

The next step is to show the design to the Postmaster.

Motion: Vice Chair Dillard made a motion to pay Antonia Doggett the \$300 for her design. Commissioner Petersen made an amendment to pay Antonia Doggett the \$300 with her signature on the sketch. Commissioner Petersen seconded. All in favor; none opposed; motion carries.

The Commission discussed purchasing parking blocks to avoid black scrapes on the mural.

TRASH CAN PAINTING

The Commission discussed sponsorships from last year. They would also like to add prize money to the people's choice award. The Commission discussed different prize categories. It was decided that participants can bring your own painting tools this year.

Motion: Commissioner Kreutzer made a motion to spend \$500 on trash can painting awards on July 4th 2015.

The award categories and prize money will include:

- Most Artistic Can \$200
- Best Park Theme \$200
- People's Choice \$100

Vice Chair Dillard seconded. All in favor; none opposed; motion carries.

Commissioner Kreutzer will review the designs for acceptance.

The prime party will be held on June 27th at 9 a.m.

The Commissioners will think about items to sell during the trash can painting competition. A banner will be hung at the event for premier sponsors this year. New brushes might be needed this year.

GATEWAY PROJECT PHASE II

The Commission reviewed the RFP. It is the same one used in 2012 for phase I with a few updates. Library Director Jeffries suggested referencing phase I in the RFP. Petersen will add information under the purpose in the RFP.

BIKE RACK PROJECT

Commissioner Imhof met with Carl Sumson at the High School. He will present it to the students. The Commission briefly discussed possible locations for the bike racks. Current suggestions are the Post Office and Dairy Delish.

ARTS AND CRAFTS WORKSHOPS

The mosaic and puppetry classes are scheduled and ready to go. Children younger than ten years old must have a parent with them at all times.

Four motel rooms have been booked for a discounted price of \$358.60.

Vice Chair Dillard will pick up snacks to provide at the workshops.

