

**City of Brighton
Arts & Culture Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting – July 9, 2012**

1. **Call to Order**

Claudia Roblee called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. and the roll call was taken:

Claudia Roblee – Present
CJ Teahan – Absent
MJ Takagi – Present

Larry Lawrence – Present
Kris Tobbe – Present (arr. at 4:10 p.m.)

Lauri French reported that CJ Teahan sent an email to advise that she would not be able to attend today's meeting due to having surgery last Friday. ***Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Larry Lawrence, to excuse CJ Teahan from today's meeting. Motion carried 3-0-2.***

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

2. **Approval of the July 9, 2012 Agenda**

Claudia Roblee noted that without Kris Tobbe, we don't have a quorum to approve the June 11 minutes and suggested this item be moved to later in the agenda to be approved if Kris shows up. ***Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Larry Lawrence, to approve the July 9, 2012 agenda as amended. Motion carried 3-0-2.***

3. **Approval of June 2012 Financial Report**

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Larry Lawrence, to approve the June 2012 financial report as presented. Motion carried 3-0-2.

4. **Call to the Public**

Call to the public was made at 4:10 p.m. Hearing no response, call to the public was closed.

New Business

Old Business

5. **Extension of artists' sculpture exhibits status**

- Ray Katz ("Spiral the Gate") - Lauri French distributed an email from Ray Katz advising that he would require a stipend of \$500 to extend his sculpture exhibit for one year and \$1,000 to extend it for two years. Claudia Roblee noted that this piece would be hard to replace and that she would like to keep it. ***Moved by Larry Lawrence, seconded by MJ Takagi, to pay Ray Katz a stipend of \$1,000 to keep "Spiral the Gate" in the Brighton Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit through August 1, 2014. Motion carried 4-0-1.***
- Detroit Design Center ("derived from circles-self series 2 & 3) – Lauri French reported that she had spoken to Erik Nordin about keeping the sculptures for one more year and that he asked the BACC to consider an additional stipend of \$250 for each sculpture (total of \$500). There was some concern expressed about whether the sculpture exhibit was becoming "rental pieces". It was noted that the recent commission for the three sculptures in the 205 West pocket park had been very lucrative for Detroit Design Center and that they have more sculptures on exhibit in the city than any other artist. ***Motion by Larry Lawrence, seconded by Kris Tobbe, to direct Staff to contact Detroit Design Center to advise that the BACC would like to continue to showcase the above two pieces for an additional year at no additional cost. Motion carried 4-0-1.***
- Rob Todd ("Rusty the Octopus") – Lauri French distributed an email from Rob Todd that explained that he had another commitment for "Rusty" and would require \$2,000 to cancel that opportunity (which could count against the purchase of the sculpture). ***Motion by Larry Lawrence, seconded by Kris Tobbe, to direct Staff to contact Rob Todd to have him remove "Rusty the Octopus" by August 1, 2012. Motion carried 4-0-1.***

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6. Millpond Design Plan task force update

- 7/10/12 meeting with Jeff Smith, PEA – Claudia Roblee advised that the Millpond Master Plan task force will meet with Jeff Smith from PEA on Tuesday, July 10, to review the “second look” specifications with him. She also gave the BACC an update on the “quality of life” bond that was discussed at the June 18 meeting with City Manager Foster and Mayor Muzzin. Some items from the quality of life bond may be pulled out and put in the revenue-neutral bond. She reported that Council will review the numbers at their next meeting on July 19.
- Consider approval to allocate \$400 toward total payment of \$3,800 to PEA – Claudia noted that PEA’s cost for the “second look” is \$3,800 and that the DDA had approximately \$3,400 left over from money allocated from the original Millpond Master Plan design. She asked the BACC to consider approval for up to \$400 toward the \$3,800 payment. ***Motion by Kris Tobbe, seconded by MJ Takagi, to allocate \$400 to PEA toward the total \$3,800 payment, with the DDA paying \$3,400. Motion carried 4-0-1.***

7. Purchase of “Spiral”

Lauri French reported that Maureen Stewart, owner of Tim Horton’s, had agreed to contribute \$500 for the purchase of “Spiral”. Matt Modrack contacted Mike Corrigan to see if he was interested in contributing or purchasing the sculpture but had not heard back from him as of today’s meeting. Claudia Roblee offered to have ArtVentures split the remaining cost (after applying Tim Horton’s \$500) with Larry Lawrence if Mike Corrigan says no. There was discussion about the same people always stepping up to the plate and that we need to find a way to get others involved.

8. Approval of June 11, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by Kris Tobbe, seconded by Larry Lawrence, to approve the June 11, 2012 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0-2, with MJ Takagi abstaining and one absence.

Other Business

9. Staff Updates

- a. Jeff Bohl’s sculpture pour (photos) – Matt Modrack reviewed the photographs he took from Jeff Bohl’s sculpture pour earlier this year.

Larry Lawrence reminded everyone that we should look for a replacement for him on the BACC; he will stay on until we find a replacement.

10. Call to the Public – Call to the Public was made at 5:00 p.m. Hearing no response, Call to the Public was closed.

12. Adjournment

Moved by MJ Takagi, seconded by Kris Tobbe, to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. The motion carried 4-0-1.

Lauri French, Administrative Assistant
Community Development Department
July 11, 2012

Reminders:

Next Regular BACC Meeting – Monday, August 13, 2012 – 4:00 p.m. – Council Chambers