

**City of Brighton
Arts & Culture Commission Minutes
January 10, 2011**

1. **Call to Order**

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

Claudia Roblee – Present
Tim Cusick - Present
MJ Takagi – Absent

Larry Lawrence – Absent
Kris Tobbe - Present

Also present were Lauri French and Matt Modrack from City Staff. Lauri noted that MJ Takagi called to let her know she was sick and would not be at today's meeting.

Moved by Kris Tobbe, seconded by Tim Cusick, to excuse MJ Takagi from today's meeting. The motion carried 3-0-2.

2. **Approval of the January 10, 2011 Agenda**

Moved by Kris Tobbe, seconded by Tim Cusick, to approve the January 10, 2011 agenda as presented. The motion carried 3-0-2.

3. **Approval of the December 20, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes**

There was not a quorum present of those in attendance at the December 20, 2010 meeting. ***Moved by Kris Tobbe, seconded by Tim Cusick, to table approval of the December 20, 2010 meeting minutes until the February 14, 2011 BACC meeting. The motion carried 3-0-2.***

4. **Approval of December 2010 Financial Report**

Lauri French noted that we received the balance of Dana Foster's contribution in December 2010 and that Claudia Roblee sent a thank you letter to him on behalf of the BACC. ***Moved by Tim Cusick, seconded by Kris Tobbe, to approve the December 2010 financial report as presented. The motion carried 3-0-2.***

5. **Call to the Public**

Call to the public was made at 4:07 p.m. Hearing no response, call to the public was closed.

New Business

Old Business

6. **Continuation of 2011 Goals Discussion**

Matt Modrack advised he is in the process of investigating what it will take to designate the BACC as a non-profit and will have more information at the February meeting. Claudia Roblee asked to include marketing of the sculpture exhibit as a goal for 2011 if it's not already on the list. She also suggested new donor plaques for the permanent pieces in the exhibit. Further discussion on 2011 goals will take place at the next meeting.

7. **Call to Artists (2011)**

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Lauri French passed out the two draft “Call to Artists” documents, one for the three large replacement pieces and one for the commissioned piece(s) for the pocket park. It was decided to hold two “walk-throughs” at the pocket park for interested artists at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 28, and Friday, February 4, 2011; artists are to RSVP to Lauri. The group reviewed the draft documents and made some suggested changes. Lauri will try to get the announcements to ArtServe and other art organizations by the end of the week to be posted on their websites. There was discussion about how many and what type of pieces would work in the pocket park, and there was consensus that this should be left up to the prospective artists.

8. World Trade Center Memorial Status

Lauri French advised that Mike Kennedy, who sent the email update on 1/4/11 regarding the WTC piece of steel, is taking the Fire Chief’s job in South Lyon, MI. She will check to see who will be taking over as our contact person at BAFA. There was a question asked about who decides where the memorial will be placed – the BACC or BAFA – and this should be clarified.

Other Business

9. Staff Updates

- Status of possible purchase of “Spiral” by Tim Hortons – Matt Modrack reported that he has sent a letter to the Regional office of Tim Hortons asking if they might be interested in purchasing “Spiral”. His contact advised last week that he is moving Matt’s request up the chain of command in Tim Hortons’ Canadian offices.
- “Winter ‘05” status – Matt Modrack advised that he has held discussions with three banks to buy some of our permanent pieces (i.e., “Winter ‘05” and “The Children”, for example) and dedicate the pieces back to the City. The proceeds could be used for operating funds for the BACC. Matt plans to talk to Meijer and the Rotary Club regarding possible purchase of “Bring Your Chalk and Draw on Me” by Adnan Charara. He noted that having companies purchase the pieces and dedicate them back to the City, as a charitable contribution would be easier if the BACC was a non-profit organization. He advised the BACC could be designated as a non-profit prior to getting tax-exempt status. He hopes to have proposed BACC non-profit by-laws by the next meeting as well as the forms for a 501c3.

10. Call to the Public

Call to the public was made at 5:15 p.m.; hearing no response, Call to the Public was closed.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Kris Tobbe, seconded by Tim Cusick, to adjourn the meeting at 5:20p.m. The motion carried 3-0-2.

Lauri French, Administrative Assistant
Community Development & Planning Department
January 12, 2011

Next BACC Meeting – Monday, February 14, 2011 – 4:00 p.m. – Council Chambers