

**PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
October 25, 2018**

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UNAPPROVED**

A meeting of the Public Art Commission of the City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held on Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, W63 N645 Washington Avenue, lower level, room 2.

Melissa Wraalstad called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Council Member Kristin Burkart, Melissa Wraalstad, Paul Yank, Deb Mortl, Lisa Brobst, Sue Schrader, Blaine Gibson

Excused- Dave Eitel, Kerry Tharp

Also Present - Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director Mikko Hilvo

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Director Hilvo acknowledged that the agenda for this meeting was posted and distributed in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Council Member Burkart, seconded by Paul Yank, to approve the August 30, 2018 minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote with Dave Eitel and Kerry Tharp excused.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on Artists Painting Fiberglass or Ceramic Animals for Auction; and Action Thereon

Blaine Gibson presented the idea to the Art Museum. They did not feel that the efforts equaled the return. This is off the table for now.

Discuss Possible Yarn Decorating Event in Downtown Cedarburg; and Action Thereon

Melissa Wraalstad suggested timing this event with the Fiber Arts Trail weekend (March) or the Artist's Studio Tour (October) and get the community involved. Director Hilvo suggested talking to Dave Eitel about this event at the next meeting to see if he thinks the Artist's Guild would agree to it. A discussion ensued regarding ways to get the community involved.

Update on Public Art Brochure; and Action Thereon

Brochures are printed and being distributed. They produced a small run so the brochure can be reprinted as things are added.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss Large Flowerpot Displays; and Action Thereon

Council Member Burkart did some research and spoke to the Mayor of Marinette about their decorated flower pot campaign. The City of Marinette paid for the entire project (about \$6,000) and they did 28 pots. Businesses adopted them and artists painted them. Director Hilvo said that

the City has six of them that can be painted and that he could place two in front of the pool, two by Centennial Park, one by the Interurban Bridge and one by City Hall.

Discuss Decorating the Bike Path with Artistic Flowerpots; and Action Thereon

Deb Mortl suggested putting the pots on corners in high traffic areas of the trail and said they would probably last about two years. Director Hilvo will talk to the Running Club about maintaining the ones along the path.

Discuss Telling History of Cedarburg through Sculptures; and Action Thereon

Melissa Wraalstad asked to postpone this discussion until she finds photo examples.

Discuss Utility Boxes Wrapped with Photos of Historic Buildings; and Action Thereon

Council Member Burkart brought in an old picture of the pool to show as an example but was concerned about how the quality of the picture would reproduce. Director Hilvo said he might have old Polaroid photos. Council Member Burkart will send pictures to Coordinator Sheffield to send to Letters & Signs to get their opinion regarding the quality of the photos.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss New Public Art Ideas; and Action Thereon

- Cedarburg Art Museum Pool and Founding Fathers Sculptures
Blaine Gibson said that the Cedarburg Art Museum has formed a committee to consider installing a pool with a sculpture of the founding fathers of Cedarburg. Paul Yank said that he has a fiberglass pool that Blaine could look at.
- Beastie Benches
Sue Schrader brought in the idea of purchasing a Beastie Bench or two for Cedar Creek Park. Milwaukee Artist Dennis Pearson makes the benches. Discussion ensued regarding the cost and how to pay for them.
- Before I Die Wall
The Commission will revisit this item in January or February.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Burkart, seconded by Blaine Gibson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Dave Eitel and Kerry Tharp excused.

Sue Schrader
Secretary

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