

Session 13-02, a Regular Meeting of the Public Arts Committee was called to order by Chair Newby at 5:00 p.m. on May 9, 2013 at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Newby, Fellows, Groning
ABSENT: Aplin, Miller (both excused)
STAFF: Deputy City Clerk Jacobsen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

RECONSIDERATION

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Synopsis of March 19, 2013

The Synopsis was approved by consensus of the Committee.

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

A. Brad Hughes

Mr. Hughes did not attend.

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOROUGH REPORTS

- A. Staff Report 13-03 dated May 1, 2013
- B. Homer Arts and Culture Alliance Report Michele/Adele

Mrs. Groning explained that the Homer Arts and Culture Alliance is made up of six organizations, including the Bunnell Street Art Center, Pratt Museum, Homer Council on the Arts, Pier One, the college, and the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra. Michele Miller attended as a representative from the Public Arts Committee. There will be discussions on how to collaborate and advocate for art in Homer. They have a mission statement and have recognized what the different entities are doing regarding arts in the community, will look at ways to promote art in the community and to better use resources. Another goal is to promote cohesive advocacy, whether it be to the City or at the State level.

C. Baycrest Overlook Committee Report

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Chair Newby recognized Committee member Aplin's work and leadership in this process. She noted Council was very impressed with the committees work. It is something they should include in their budget for next year. The city was impressed and sees value and an economic component in the interpretive site.

Representative Seaton commented that he has noticed over a long period of time that we don't have enough public art. He suggested some type of festival, similar to the chainsaw art festival that is held in Seldovia, using the armor rock along the spit for a carving contest. It could result in some interesting pieces for the community.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings scheduled.

PENDING BUSINESS

A. Strategic Plan Update

The Committee reviewed the revisions to the strategic plan and made updates. Mrs. Groning said that her revisions were an effort to simplify language and re-organize information in a more concise manner. They discussed dates and asked staff to double check the the budget time frame.

FELLOWS/GRONING MOVED TO APPROVE THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2013.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. Uniform Signage for Homer's Parks, Trails, Beaches, and Campgrounds

The Committee discussed dates to meet with the Parks and Recreation Commission to address signs. The decided on June 13th at 4 pm for a worksession and then a special meeting after, in case they need to take any action. Mrs. Groning noted that she would be absent in June.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Elections

The Committee agreed to move elections to their next regular meeting.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None

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COMMENTS OF THE STAFF

None

COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER

None

COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. Fellows said it was a great meeting, they covered quite a bit. She is glad to have Adele here, and glad to have Angie back.

Mrs. Groning said she is glad to be here and glad to work on the budget information.

ADJOURN

There being no more business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers.

MELISSA JACOBSEN, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved: _____