



**PUBLIC ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION  
JANUARY 19, 2021  
CITY HALL, 240 COLUMBUS AVENUE**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Members: Marsha Carrington, Robin Lloyd, Chris Parthemore, Adam Ramsdell, Brian Stanley, Cable Steinemann, Jordan Sternberg, Martha Wikel, Shawn Daley

Ex-Officio Members: Blake Harris, Michelle Newell, Greg Voltz (staff)

**MINUTES**

**CURRENT BUSINESS**

New & returning appointments

City Hall art exhibit – discussion

Grant programs – community engagement

Downtown Master Plan presentation: 1/27 @ 7PM

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Officer nominations

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:15PM**

**Members present:** Robin Lloyd, Gail Reidy, Cable Steinemann, Chris Parthemore, Adam Ramsdell, Jordan Sternberg, Martha Wikel, Brian Stanley (Chairman).

**Ex-Officio Members present:** Michelle Newell, Blake Harris, and Greg Voltz

**Absent:** Marsha Carrington

**Staff Present:** McKenzie Spriggs (Commission Clerk)

**All were in attendance via teleconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic, [and the meeting was live-streamed on YouTube.](#)**

**CURRENT BUSINESS**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Upon motion of Robin Lloyd and second of Chris Parthemore, the members voted to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2020, meeting and suspend the formal reading. The Chairman declared the motion passed.**

**2021 Work Plan Review**

*Discussion:* Greg Voltz presented the 2021 work plan draft. He noted the addition of the Columbus Avenue art project in conjunction with the downtown master plan streetscape. The budget for this is \$50,000 and is meant to be an integrated process with the planning of Columbus Avenue, during the year 2021.

Other parts of the plan are carryover for 2020 including the artist grant and the Lange Trust sculpture initiative. One final addition was the suspended sculptures from a Polish artists that the Lange Trust of Sandusky Library hopes to bring to Sandusky, when is feasible.

Robin Lloyd said she was in full support of this plan and it shows how far Sandusky has come. She is excited to incorporate into the streetscape. In regards to the city hall gallery/scholarship, she thought removing the competition element of it would be better to not offend the artists.

Greg Voltz noted that if the committee chooses to remove the \$1,000 prize, that could instead be used for hanging the gallery and logistics.

Robin Lloyd agreed and said it could be used for framing and hanging the art properly.

Cable Steinemann agreed and added it could support lighting for art.

Adam Ramsdell agreed and added that name plates for the artists could be purchased to give recognition.

Martha Wikel agreed with everything mentioned and added it could be used for the extra, miscellaneous costs, and thought a description would be viewed well by the public.

**Upon a motion of Cable Steinemann and a second of Robin Lloyd the committee voted to approve the work plan, with the removal of the prize money for the city hall gallery, and instead for logistics surrounding the creation of the gallery. Roll call: Yeas-- Robin Lloyd, Chris Parthemore, Adam Ramsdell, Gail Reidy, Brian Stanley, Cable Steinemann, Jordan Sternberg, Martha Wikel, Michelle Newell, Blake Harris, and Greg Voltz. Nos—none.**

### **2021 Artist Grant**

*Discussion:* Greg Voltz commented there were no changes to the grant from 2020 to 2021.

Brian Stanley said he is a fan of the program.

Robin Lloyd discussed the call to artists event that was supposed to happen in 2020. Many artists were interested and we will have to wait and see what happens in 2021.

Brian Stanley agreed and hopes the event can be reestablished in 2021, and that artists can take advantage of the grant mid next year.

Greg Voltz noted the document can be changed by the commission at any time, and it is meant to be fluid and flexible.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **2021 Meeting Schedule**

McKenzie Spriggs asked if the 5:15PM meeting time is convenient for the group. The city commission is making a push to have volunteer boards and commissions meet later in the evening, to accommodate the volunteers, whether it be work schedules, family life, etc.

The committee agreed 5:15 is ideal for many of them. They would like to keep the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month in 2021.

**At 5:35PM, upon motion of Jordan Sternberg and second of Chris Parthemore, the commission voted to adjourn. The Chairman declared the motion passed.**



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**Attest: McKenzie Spriggs, Clerk**

**Date: 12 / 15 / 20**

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**Brian Stanley, Chairperson**

**Date: 12 / 15 / 20**