

ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.
DEXTER SENIOR CENTER

THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER

Members present: Mike Vickers, Victoria Schon, Tom Rosenbaum, Courtney Fitzpatrick, Lynn Babcock, Audrey Becker, Mary Bowe, Paul Cousins

The June meeting notes were reviewed and a change was made to reflect that Village President Shawn Keough passed along a suggestion from a resident regarding the placement of a friendly troll along the Border to Border Trail and that he is in support of the idea.

Courtney N. gave an update on the temporary art display. The selected artists have been contacted and Village staff is working with them to create the temporary pads that the art will be affixed to. Paul reported that due to severe storms in the Chicago area that did damage to the art studio, the truck will not be delivered until October. The Committee also discussed possible placement of the wings (mounted sculpture). Paul is working with Randy Willis and the Encore Theatre to determine whether placement on the Encore building is feasible. Audrey provided a copy of the solicitation flyer used by Howell for their temporary art display.

The Committee discussed the possible permanent piece ideas. Victoria, Courtney and Mike met and found several examples of troll sculptures. The Committee decided to create an advertisement brochure to solicit artists designs for the sculpture. The selected artist will receive \$3,000. Victoria, Courtney and Mike will meet to create a list of places to advertise the call for artists. Paul will be visiting the gallery that sells the Blue Heron sculptures in the next few weeks. He will take photos and confirm the pricing for the next meeting. The sculpture could go along the Mill Creek in the new park area. Once the Committee has gathered options for the permanent pieces they will be forwarded to the Selection Committee. Matt LaFontaine has not yet responded regarding working with the Committee on a call for artists for his sculpture. Courtney N. will contact him again prior to the next meeting.

The next Yellow Door breakfast is scheduled for August 10, 2012. Set-up will be Thursday from 2 pm to 4 pm. Menu choices will be pre-printed on the ordering cards for the servers.

Mike received communication from the Oxford Company who recently purchased the Dexter Crossing strip mall. They are interested in getting involved with the Committee to promote art in the community. One idea Mike presented to them was getting involved in the banner project. They were receptive of bringing the banners down to their end of town. Paul will have more information on the cost of the project that the Watershed Council participated in and will also ask his contact person with the schools to attend our next meeting.

Audrey will contact Don Allen and Dave Boutette to perform at the next Songs, Slams and Smores which will be held on September 22 in Mill Creek Park North. The Committee is interested in creating another Box Town at Apple Daze in October.

The Committee's next meeting will be moved to the Dexter District Library due to the election.