

**CITY OF DEXTER
ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2016**

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee was called to order at 6:30 pm at the Dexter District Library, 3255 Broad Street.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Victoria Schon, Rich Bellas, Angie Noble, Phil Arbour, Donna Fisher, Lynn Babcock, Gini Davis

Committee Members Absent: Tom Rosenbaum, Cheryl Willoughby, Cristen Rinderknecht, Martha Gregg

Others Present: Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Fisher to approve the minutes from April 5, 2016.
Motion Adopted

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Bellas to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion Adopted

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

None

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

A. CHAIR

None

B. STAFF REPORT

Justin Breyer submitted his report per the packet. He provided an update on several projects, including:

- The date Lions Park playground equipment installation is set for June 18th.
- The Art Selection Committee met to discuss the proposed sculpture donations. The Committee recommended approval of both sculptures to City Council.
- The Committee discussed the art selection process and concluded that a set of standards were needed to assist in determining whether to accept a piece of art.

Motion Arbour, Seconded by Bellas to direct staff to inform City Council that the Committee would be looking into a set of criterion for art selection as a part of the master planning process

Ayes: Schon, Bellas, Noble, Arbour, Fisher, Babcock, Davis

Nays: None

Motion Adopted

C. CITY COUNCIL

None

D. PROJECT UPDATES

Victoria Schon led the Committee in a discussion of updates regarding the Paint Dexter Plein Air Festival, she provided the following updates and answered questions:

- The Committee discussed the process for receiving donations – the Committee was directed to forward all donations to Justin Breyer.
- Music is all-set for Friday and Saturday.
- Victoria updated the volunteer schedule on Google Drive. Justin will use it as a template to create a Sign-Up Genius form.
- The Committee discussed refreshments.
- Victoria will coordinate with Rich Bellas regarding photography.

Victoria Schon provided an update regarding the Katherine Dexter McCormick project, she provided the following updates and answered questions:

- Victoria reported that she spoke with Cheryl Willoughby about the project.
- The Committee expressed concern about attempting to move forward with this project while the Historical Society is pre-occupied with the Gordon Hall grant.
- The Committee discussed the need for fundraising and the challenge related to grant writing.
- Victoria reported that the McCormick Foundation was not interested in providing financial support to the project.

Motion by Schon, Seconded by Noble to place the project on hold (delay) until October 1, 2017.

Ayes: Schon, Bellas, Noble, Arbour, Fisher, Babcock, Davis

Nays: None

Motion Adopted

OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF: ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE 2016 – 2021 MASTER PLAN

The Committee reviewed the draft Arts, Culture, and Heritage 2016 – 2021 Master Plan. The Committee discussed the need to incorporate process and criteria information under the Art Selection Section. They also discussed the content of the “Culture and Heritage” section.

NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF: PURCHASE OF DRAGONFLY SCULPTURE

Motion by Schon, Seconded by Fisher to wait to discuss the purchase of the dragonfly sculpture until the Committee has had an opportunity to discuss the process and set criteria for the selection of permanent sculptures.

Ayes: Schon, Bellas, Noble, Arbour, Fisher, Babcock, Davis

Nays: None

Motion Adopted

B. DISCUSSION OF: DEXTER ART GARDENS

Victoria Schon led discussion regarding the Dexter Art Gardens, she provided the following updates and answered questions:

- The Dexter Art Gardens is the temporary art display. The displays were intended to have plantings around them, thus the name "Dexter Art Gardens."
- The Committee discussed the need for a name change.
- The Committee discussed fundraising, but the point was made that it would compete with Pain Dexter Plein Air fundraising.
- Rich Bellas offered to work on the project with staff.
- The Committee came to a consensus to move forward with the project.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

None

PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Establishing a process and criteria for permanent art selection.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Bellas to adjourn at 7:58 pm

Motion Adopted

Justin Breyer

Assistant to the City Manager