

**CITY OF DEXTER  
ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 7, 2016**

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee was called to order at 6:35 pm at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

**ROLL CALL**

Committee Members Present: Victoria Schon, Cheryl Willoughby, Gini Davis (arr. 6:45pm), Martha Gregg, Rich Bellas (arr. 6:45pm), Phil Arbour, Angie Noble, Cristen Rinderknecht

Committee Members Absent: Lynn Babcock, Donna Fisher

Others Present: Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager; Paul Cousins, resident

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Noble to approve the minutes from June 7, 2016 with the corrections of Schon making the motion and Gregg seconding to adjourn; and changing Commissioners to Committee Members.

Motion Adopted

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Rinderknecht to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Consideration of the Dragonfly Sculpture as 7-C.

Motion Adopted

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE**

Paul Cousins, 7648 Forest – Commented that he liked the Dragonfly Sculpture when it was first exhibited in Chelsea. Mr. Cousins commented that he likes the Dragonfly in that space. He spoke on behalf of Lynn Babcock regarding the proposed bicycle sculpture and gave a history of the project. He talked about trails and their relevance to bicycle clubs in and around Dexter. He commented that he and Lynn have approached a new sculptor for the project and that he does not wish to change the style or location of the project.

**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 City has a new playground at Lions Park. Staff is waiting on an order of playground mulch before the playground opens to the public.  
Provided information about the City Council budget process and the Dexter Art Gardens.

## **C. CITY COUNCIL**

None

## **D. PROJECT UPDATES**

The Committee discussed the status of the bicycle sculpture project and how a sculpture honoring bicyclists should move forward. Some members of the Committee felt that approaching a new artist with the existing design was inappropriate and that the sculpture should be selected through a formal process.

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:

- Discussed cancelling the Monday History of Plein Air event.
- Discussed the need to fill the Peggi Kroll-Roberts workshop or cancelling it.
- Reviewed volunteer openings and encouraged members of the Committee to recruit volunteers.
- Reviewed the status of corporate sponsorships and donations.
- Reviewed the status of the children's event and discussed the deadline to register.
- Martha Gregg received a quote for the artists' bags. The Committee discussed how the bags would be stuffed.
- The Committee discussed food and refreshments.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. DISCUSSION OF: BICYCLE SCULPTURE PROJECT**

Discussed under Project Updates.

### **B. 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 Action Plan and reviewed individual projects. The Committee conducted an evaluation of the projects' costs, status and funding sources in order to set priorities. The Committee also reviewed potential funding sources.

### **C. CONSIDERATION OF: DRAGONFLY SCULPTURE**

The Committee discussed their desire to purchase the sculpture "Balancing Act" (a.k.a Dragonfly Sculpture). Committee members commented about the positive feedback that they have heard regarding the sculpture. Staff commented that they spoke to the artist in advance of the meeting and that the artist would be willing to sell the sculpture for \$5,600.

Motion by Bellas, Seconded by Willoughby to recommend to the Art Selection Committee that they consider recommending to City Council the purchase of the Dragonfly Sculpture in an amount not to exceed \$5,600.

Ayes: Schon, Willoughby, Bellas, Rinderknecht, Noble, Davis, Arbour, Gregg

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Babcock

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. CONSIDERATION OF: APPOINTMENT TO ART SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The Committee discussed the meeting schedule and requirements of the Art Selection Committee. Martha Gregg volunteered to serve on the Committee.

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Noble to recommend Martha Gregg to serve on the Art Selection Committee.

Ayes: Schon, Willoughby, Bellas, Rinderknecht, Noble, Davis, Arbour, Gregg

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Babcock

### **CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE**

None

### **PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Katherine Dexter McCormick Project

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bellas, Seconded by Noble to adjourn at 8:50 pm

Motion Adopted

Justin Breyer

Assistant to the City Manager