

**SANDPOINT ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017
5:30 PM CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1123 LAKE STREET**

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Tammy Farmin, Carol Kovalchuk, Kris Dills, Megan Cherry, Carol Deaner, Krister Allen, Elle Susnis, Ffion Soltis,

COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: City Staff liaison Melissa Bethel - Minutes

COUNCIL/COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Tom Eddy, Dyno Wahl, Ellinor Allen (student liaison)

Chairman Deaner called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Susnis moved and Commissioner Cherry second to approve the minutes of March 20 and April 10, 2017. **Motion passes unanimously.**

New Business:

Utility Box Art Discussion:

Deaner discussed utilities boxes in town and more notably the one functioning for solar roadways. She stated in the past the Commission has discussed using a wrap on the boxes but it was discovered the utility companies painted them a green color so they fade in the background. She stated it keeps coming up as discussion. The Commission discussed the funding and what type of Art work could be put on the boxes. Deaner handed out an old estimate of what it would cost to wrap the boxes.

Cherry stated the estimate does not cover costs of prep work or paying the artist. Susnis stated in the past some members of the public have voiced concern over doing this type of work with tax money.

Dills volunteered to research and gather more information on the utility box wraps.

Old Business:

Committee updates:

- a. Budget/Long range planning: Deaner, Susnis, Farmin, Kovalchuk
Kovalchuk handed out budgets and explained the estimated budget for each district.

- b. Fundraising/grants: Wahl, Soltis, Deaner, Susnis
Soltis stated she has been starting to put together a calendar for grant applications. She stated she also needs approval for matching funds for up to \$10,000 from the Bonner County fund for a public art project on Cedar Street in one of the designated art areas. Soltis stated a plaque would recognize the funding organizations.

Approval of grant:

Motion:

Kovalchuk moved and Cherry second to apply as the Arts Commission to the Bonner County fund for Arts Enhancement for matching funds to be used with SURA funding for a public art piece on Cedar. **Motion passes unanimously.**

c. Projects:

a. Stainless Steel Boxes; Farmin, Dills, Soltis, Allen

Deaner stated from now on Art projects will not be on consent agendas. Deaner stated Soltis would present the project at City Council. The Commission discussed the location for the boxes being the Sand Creek area.

b. Schweitzer Roundabout; Dills, Cherry, Deaner, Susnis

Cherry stated the Committee is looking at other public art models from CaFE. She stated Matt Kerr would be helping on the committee.

Matters from Commission or staff:

Deaner reminded the Commission the hydrant project is still funded and needs to be completed. She stated the project would be put on next month's agenda for discussion.

Farmin stated she would like to place the Granary District on next month's agenda and start discussion on location for transition signage.

Deaner stated she would like to place the David Thompson project on the agenda next month.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Next meeting on May 15, 2017